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ANNO. XXVIII.

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VIII.

ACTES MADE IN THE
parliament begōne and hol-
den at Westm̄, the. viii. daye of
June, in the. xxviii. yere of the
reygne of our most dꝛad soueraine
loꝝd kyng HENRY the. viii. and
there continued and kepte tyll the
dissolution of the saīne parliament
the. xviii. of July, to the
honour of God,
and foꝝ
the
common weale and
pꝛofyt of this
realme.

THO. BERTHELET RE-
GIS IMPRESSOR EX-
CVDEBAT,
CVM PRIVILEGIO.

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Here in the laste parliament begonne and holden at London, the thirde day of Nouembre, in the .xxi. yere of the kinges mooste gracious reygne, and from thens adiourned to Westmynster, and there holden and continued by dyuers and sondry prorogations, It was enacted amonges other thynges, that such persone and persones, which dyd forsake to any paryshe church, churchof, or other lyke halowed place for tution of his lyfe, by occasion of any murder robberye or other felony by the same person commytted, and therupon confessed any murder felony or other offence befoze a crowner: for the whiche the same persone by the lawe of this realme afoze that tyme used, shulde abiure and passe out of this realme, shulde be dyrected by the crowner to take his abiuratyon to any one saynctuarie, being within this realme, which the same person wold chuse and chose, there to remayne as a saynctuarie man abiured, duringe his naturall lyfe. And if after such abiuration, any person so abiured, came out of the same saynctuarie, to the which he was assigned, and be taken within the same saynctuarie, not hauynge the kinges speciall pardon or licence to do, that then euery such personne abiured, and after abiuration taken without saynctuarie, wherunto he was assigned, shuld suffre lyke peyne of death, and after lyke maner shuld be ordered, as he shuld haue done and done, in case he had abiured this realme for murder or felony, and after such abiuration had returned agayne into this realme, contrarie to the lawes of this land. And it was further ordeined by the same acte, that if any such saynctuarie personne so abiured, or any other personne or personnes, which then were, or at any tyme after shuld happen to be in any saynctuarie of this realme, for doynge of any pety treason murder or felonye, or for beinge accessory to any such offences: or if any persone or persons, which at any tyme after the making of the same acte, shuld take any saynctuarie of this realme for any pety treason murder or felony, or for beinge accessory to any such offences, or upon abiuration: and so being in saynctuarie for any such cause matter or offence, afterward comit any pety treason murder or felonye in the same saynctuarie, or be accessory to any such offences, or goo oute of the same saynctuarie, and comytte any pety treason, murder or felonye, or be accessory to any such offences, and afterward come again to the same saynctuarie, or take any other saynctuarie for the same: that euery such person and persons, beinge indited for any of the said causes or offences, shuld lose the priuilege of the saynctuarie by him taken, and of euery other saynctuarie within this realme for any such cause of pety treason, murder, felony, or abiuration, or for any accessory to any suche offences.

And it was further ordeined by the same acte, that alfozaine ples, triall by countrey, whiche shulde be pleded by any person or persons arraigned

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Challenge

ned vpon any inditement foꝛ any pety treason, murder, oꝛ felonye, shuld be tried befoze the same Iustices, afoze whom such personnes shuld be arrayned, and by the same iurours of the countie, that shal trie the pety treason murder oꝛ felonye, without any further respite oꝛ delaie, And that no person arrayned foꝛ any pety treason, murder, oꝛ felonye, shulde be admitted to any paretmptoye challenge aboue the noubꝛe of. xx. which acte was made to endure to the ende of the nexte parliament, as by the said acte amonges diuers clauses & pꝛouisions conteyned in the same moze plainly is expessed.

Benefyte of clergy.

¶ And where also in the same parliament it was enacted, that no person oꝛ persons, which shuld happen to be founde giltye after the lawes of this realme, foꝛ any maner of pety treason, oꝛ foꝛ any wilfulle murder of malice pꝛepensed, oꝛ foꝛ robbing of any churches, chapelles, oꝛ other holie places, oꝛ foꝛ robbing of any personne oꝛ personnes, in theyꝝ dwelling houses oꝛ dwelling place, the owner oꝛ dweller in the saide house, his wife, his chyl- dzen, oꝛ seruantes then beinge within, and putte in feare and dꝛede by the same: oꝛ foꝛ robbing of any person oꝛ persons in oꝛ nere about the highe wayes, oꝛ foꝛ wilfull bourninge of any dwelling houses oꝛ barnes, wherin any coꝛn oꝛ graine shal happen to be: noꝛ that any person oꝛ persons, being founde giltye of any abbettment, pꝛocurement, helpinge, maynteyning, oꝛ counsaillinge of oꝛ to any such petie treason, murders, oꝛ felonies, shuld be admitted to the benefyte of theyꝝ clergy (suche as he within holy orders, is to saie, of the oꝛders of subdeacon oꝛ aboute, all onely except) with many other clauses and pꝛouisions conteyned in the said acte, as by the same acte moze playnely appereth: which acte was also made to cōtinue and endure to the lasse daye of the nexte parliament.

Standenge must.

¶ And where also in the same parliament it was further enacted, that euery such persone and persons, which shulde happen to be indited of any pety treason, wilfull burninge of houses, murder, robberie, oꝛ burgularye, oꝛ other felonye, accoꝛdinge to the tenour and meaninge of the said statute nexte aboue reherfed, and therbyon attained, didde stande muet of malice, oꝛ froward minde, oꝛ challeng paretmptoye aboue the numbꝛe of. xx. oꝛ els will not answere directely to the same inditement and felonye, wherby they shal be arrayned: that then euery suche person and persones, shuld lose the benefite and pꝛiuilege of theyꝝ clergy.

¶ AND IT VVAS ALSO ORDEYNED by the same acte, that if any person oꝛ persones, be indited and founde giltye foꝛ stealing of any goodes oꝛ cattelles, in any countie of this realme, oꝛ beinge indited, stande muet of malice, oꝛ challenge paretmptoye aboue the numbꝛe of. xx. personnes, oꝛ will not aunswere directely to the lawe, shuld also lose the benefite of theyꝝ clergy, in like maner and fourme as they shulde haue doone, if they hadde be endyted, arrayned, and founde gyltye in the same countie, where the same robberie oꝛ burgulary was doone, if it shal appere to the Iustices, by euidence oꝛ examination, that the saide felons oꝛ robbers arrayned afoze them, shuld oꝛ ought to haue losse theyꝝ clergy by foꝛce of the said statute

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in case they hadde be founde gyltie of the same felonies oꝝ burglaries, in the same shyre where they were comynpted, as by the sayde acte amonges other thinges moze at large is expꝛessed.

And where also in the sayde parlyament it was further ordeyned, that the detestable vice of buggery, comynpted with mankynde oꝝ beaste, shoulde be felony, and that the offenders therein shulde lose the pꝛiuelege of theyꝝ clergy: whiche acte was made to endure to the laste daye of the nexte parlyamente, as by the same acte amongeste other thinges it appercth moze at large. For as moche as the sayde actes, be beneficiall and profitable foꝝ the common welthe of this realme, Be it therfoze enacted by auctozitie of this present parlyamente, that the sayde actes and euery of theym, and all clauses and pꝛouisions conteyned in the same, shall stande in full strengthe and vertue, and from hencefoꝝthe to continue and endure vnto the last daye of the nexte parlyament.

Buggery.
Felon.

And also be it enacted by auctozitie aforesayd, that suche as be within holy orders, shall from hencefoꝝth stande and be vnder the same peines and dangers foꝝ the offences conteyned in any of the sayde statutes, and be bled and ordered to all intentes and purposes, as other persons not beyng within holy orders: Any pꝛouision oꝝ exception specified in any of the sayd actes, or any other vsage oꝝ custome of this realme to the contrary therof not withstanding. This acte to endure vnto the last day of the next parlyament.

Orders.

An acte foꝝ continuing of two statutes made in the last parlyament touchinge suche as go awaye with caskettes, icwels, goodes, oꝝ plate of theyꝝ maysters. Cap. ii.



Here in the laste parlyamente begonne and holden at London, the third day of Nouembꝛe, in the .xxi. yere of the kinges moost gracious reygne, and from thense adiourned to Westmynster, and there holden and continued by diuers pꝛozogations vnto the dissolution therof, it was ordeined & enacted amongst other thinges, that yf any seruauntes, to whome any caskettes icwels moncy goodes oꝝ cattalles, shulde be deliuered to kepe by his oꝝ theyꝝ maisters oꝝ maistresses, doo go awaye with the saide caskettes, icwels, money, goodes, oꝝ cattalles, oꝝ any parte therof, to the intende to steale the same, and defraude his oꝝ their saide master oꝝ maystres therof, contrary to the truste and confidence to him oꝝ them putte by his oꝝ their saide maisters oꝝ maistresses: Or elles being in seruice without assente oꝝ commaundemente of his saide master oꝝ maystres embeile the caskettes, icwelles, money, goodes, oꝝ cattalles, of his said master oꝝ maistresse, oꝝ any parte therof, oꝝ otherwyle conuerte the same to his owne vse, with lyke purpose to steale, than if the saide caskettes, icwels, money, goodes, oꝝ cattalles, that any suche seruaunte shall go awaye with oꝝ whiche he shall embesyle with pouꝛpose to steale it (as is afoze sayde) be of the

Servantes,
Caskettes,
Jewels,

Embesiling.

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Felony.

value of .xl.s. or above: that then the same false fraudulent and vntrewe acte and demeanour should from henceforth be demed and adiudged felony. And that he or they so offendynge, should be punished as other felons be punished for felony committed by couste of the common lawe, whiche acte was then made to endure to the next parliament.

Benefite of
clergy.
Sanctuary.

And where also in an other acte made in the sayde parlyament, it was enacted, that if any scruaunte for the tyme being in seruyce with any person or persons, happen to steale, or felonously take away any iewels money plate or other goodes or cattalles of his maister or maystresse: or if any seruaunt, to whome any caskette iewels money goodes or cattalles were deliuered by his mayster or maystresse, and goo away with the sayde casket money goodes or cattalles, or any parte therof, contrarpe to the truste and confydence to hym or thein putte: or withoute the assente or commaundement of his sayde mayster or maistresse embesile any caskette, iewelles, money, goodes, or cattalles, or any parte therof, or otherwyse conuerthe the same to his owne vse, with pourpose to steale it, if the sayde caskette, money, iewels, goodes, or other cattalles, be of the value of .xl.s. or above: that then the offendour in suche case should lose the benefitte of his clergy, and the priuilege of al sanctuaries, as by the sayde seuerall actes moze playnly appereth. For as moche as the sayd actes be thought necessary for the common welth of this realme, Be it therfore enacted by auctoritie of this present parlyament, that the same actes, and euery of theim, and al and euery clause article and pzoouiso therein conteyned, shall from henceforth stand good & endure and continue for euer,

An acte gyvinge the kinges hyghnes auctoritie newly to allotte the towne:
shyppes in the shyres and marches of wales, at any tyme with
in threer peres next ensuyng. Cap. iiii.

Shires
newly made
in wales.



Here in the parlyamente begonne and holden at London the thyrde daye of Nouembre, in the .xxi. yere of the regne of oure mooste dread soueraygne lord kyng Henry the .viii. and etome theuse adiourned to Westmynster, and there holden and continued by dyuers pzozogations vnto the .iiii. daye of februarye, in the .xxviii. yere of the regne of our sayde soueraygne lord, and then and there holden and continued vnto the dissolution therof, one acte and ordynance was made in the session of the sayde parlyament, holden the sayde .iiii. daye of februarye, wherby amonges other thynges dyuers shyres and counties were newly made and named within the dominion and principalltie of wales, and dyuers townes parishes lordeshyppes commotes and cantredes within the sayde dominion and principalltie, were allotted appoynted & committed to the said seuerall shires and counties, as by the same act moze plainly and particularly amonges other thynges appereth. And for as moche as by credible information it is comen to the kinges knowledge sythens the makinge of the sayde acte, that some lordeshyppes, townes, parishes, commotes

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hundredes, and cantredes, be not indifferently allotted and lympted to the shires named in the sayde acte, for the commoditie of the kynges subiectes therin inhabtyed: Be it therfore enacted by auctorite of this present parliament, that the kynges hyghnes (duryng the tyme of thre yeres next after the ende of this present parliament) shall haue power and auctorite, by wytyng vnder his great seale, to allotte appoynte assygne and lymyte to euery of the shires named in the sayde acte, suche and so many lordes, townes, parishes, hamlettes, hundredes, commotes and cantredes, as his maiestie by his moste highe wisedome shall thinke moste conuenient and agreeable for the ease and commoditie of his louinge subiectes the inhabitantes of his sayde dominion and principalltie. And shall lykewys haue power and auctorite to name and assygne the shire townes in euery of the sayde shires named in the sayde acte. And that euery suche limitation apointment nomination and assignement to be made by the kynges hyghnes in that behalf, by auctorite of this acte, shall be as good and effectuell to all intentes and purposes, as though it had bene done and made playnely and particularly by auctorite of parliament: any thyng conteyned in the sayd acte, made in the last parliament, or any other thyng or thynges to the contrary therof not withstanding.

Alloftynge of
townes in
Wales.

Principalltie
of Wales.

An acte repellyng the statute lately made for the bringyng in
of doulas and lokerams. Cap. iiii.



Here in the parliament holden at Westminster the third daye of Nouember, in the .xxi. yere of the reigne of our soueraygne lord king Henry the. viii. amongst other thinges it was enacted and establisshed, that no person nor persons, englishe nor straunger, denisen or alien, from or after the feast of saincte Michel tharchangel than next folowynge, shuld byyng or conuey, or cause to be conueied or brought by any maner of meanes into this realme of England, any linnen clothe, called doulas or lokerams, onles euery hole piece of doulas conteyned in length fyue scoze elles of assise, accompted to euery elle, one inche of assise, and in bredth one yarde of assise: And euery halfe piece fyfty elles in lengthe, and one yarde in bredth of lyke assise, and al the hole piece and half piece of one goodnes in making. And also it was there enacted and establisshed, that euery hole piece of lokerams shulde be of lyke length, as the hole piece of doulas: and euery halfe piece of lokerams shuld be of lyke length as the halfe piece of doulas: and euery such hole piece and halfe piece of lokerams to be in bredth a hole yarde, lackyng a nayle of the yarde: and euery piece and halfe piece to be in lyke goodnes by all the length of the same piece, vppon payne of forfeyture of the same doulas and lokerams so to be brought or conueyed into this realme, not conteynyng the full lengthe bredth and goodnes, or the value therof, as in the same statute moze playnely at large doth appere. Sithens the makynge of whiche acte a greate nombze

Doulas and
Lokerams.

nombze of kynges subiectes, that is to saye, weauers, tuckers, spymers, dyers, and wulpikers, and many others haue bene ydell and without worke, to theyr great impouertyshynge, whiche moze and moze is lyke dayly to increase, if remedy be not prouyded, for as moche as the clothemakers, whiche befoze the makynge of the sayde acte, were wonte to conuey theyr sayde clothes into Britaine, where the sayde linnen clothe called doulas and lockerams is made, and from thence to byynge with theym the sayde linnen clothe called doulas and lockeram, whiche they canne not doo sythens the makynge of the sayde acte, without daunger and forfayture of the sayde linnen clothe by reason that there shall noo englishe man be suffered to carpe or conuey any of the sayde clothes, called doulas or lockerams, from the parties of beyonde the sea into this realme of the length conteyned in the sayde acte, whiche wyl make the sayde cloth makers to leue the makynge of theyr cloth, to the greatte and manyfolde perylls of the kynges subiectes: Be it therfoze enacted by the kyng our soueraygne lord, with the assente of the lordes spirituall and tempozall, and the commons in this present parliament assembled, and by the auctoritie of the same, that the sayde acte, made in the sayde. xxi. yere, be to all intentes pourposes and constructions in the lawe, made vtterly voyde and of none effecte, as yf this sayde acte hadde neuer ben had nor made. Neuerthelesse to the entent that the byers of the sayde linnen clothes, shall not at any tyme hereafter be deceiued by the length of the sayd clothes. Be it therfoze enacted by the auctoritie afoze sayd, that after the fealt of saynte Myghell the archangell nexte commynge, no maner of personne englyshe nor straunger, denyen nor alyen, putte to sale any hole piece or halfe piece of the sayde linnen clothe called doulas and lockerams, onelesse there be mencion expzessed bypon euery of the sayde hole piece or halfe piece of the sayde linnen clothe called doulas or lockeram, so putte to sale, as is afozesayde, the hoole and entier noubze of the yardes or elles, that is conteyned in euerye suche hole piece or halfe piece, bypon peyne of forfeyture of the same hole piece or halfe picce, not conteynyng the noubze of yardes or elles, so mencioned bypon euery of the sayde hole piece or halfe piece, so put to sale as is afoze sayde. The one halfe of euerye suche forfayture to be to the kyng our soueraygne lord, and the other halfe to hym that shall seale and wyl sue for the same by action of det, byl, plaint, information, or otherwyle: in whiche action, suite, or information, no wager of lawe nor essoyne shall be admitted or allowed.

¶ Prouyded alwayes, that this acte or any thyng therein conteyned, be not prejudiciall ne hurtfull to any person or personnes, that befoze the fyrst day of this parlyamente, hath made any sealer, or putte in any information, in to any of the kynges courtes, for any maner of forfayture, doone or committed by any person or personnes, contrarpe to the sayde estatute, made in the said the thyrde daye of Nouembze, the. xxi. yere of the reygne of our soueraygne lord kyng Henry the eyght.

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In acte for auoydinge of exactions taken vpon pzentices in the cities boroughes and townes corporate. Cap. v.



Here in the parliament begunne at London the third day of Nouembze, in the. xxi. yere of the reigne of our moste dread soueraigne lord king Henry the. viii. and from thens ad- iourned and prozoyed vnto westminster, the. xvi. day of Ja- nuary, in the. xxi. yere of the reigne of our said soueraigne lord, and there then also holden. It was & is recited, that where befoze that time it was established & enacted in the. xix. yere of our said soueraigne lord king Henry the. vii. that no maister wardynes and felowshippe of craftes, or any of them, nor any rulers of the gyldees or fra- termities shuld take vpon them to make any actes or ordinaunces, ne to ex- ercise any actes or ordinaunces by the befoze that time made, or then here- after to be made, in disheritance or diminutiō of y^e prerogatiue of the king, nor of other, nor against the comon profite of the people: but if the same actes or ordinaunces were examined or approued by the Chancellour, trea- surer of England, or chief iustice of either bench, or thye of the, or befoze the iudges of assise in their circuite or pzogres, in y^e shire where such actes or ordinaunces be made, vpon peyn of forsaiture of. xl. li. for euery time that they do the contrary, as moze plainely in the said acte doth appere. Syth which tyme diuers wardens and felowships haue made actes & ordinaun- ces, that euery pzentice shuld pay at his first entre in their common hall to the wardens of the same felowship, somme of them. xl. s. some. xxx. s. some. xx. s. some. xiii. s. some. vi. s. some. viii. s. some. iiii. s. after their owne li- bertye and pleasure, contrary to the meaning of the said act, made in the said. xix. yere of the reigne of the said late kinge Henry the. vii. and to the great hurte of the kinges true subiectes, putting their children to be pzentices. It was therfoze in the said parliament, holden at westminster in the said. xxi. yere of the reigne of kyng Henry the. viii. established and en- acted by the kinge our soueraigne lord, by the aduise of his lordes spiritu- all and tempozall, and of the comons in the same parliament assembled, & by the auctorite of the same, that no maister wardynes or felowships of craftes, or maisters, or any of them, nor any rulers of fraternities, shulde take from thensforth of any pzentice or of any other persō or persons for y^e entre of any pzentice into their said felowship, aboue the some of. ii. s. vi. d. nor for his entree whan his yeres and terme is expired and ended, aboue. iii. s. viii. d. vpon peyne of forsaiture of. xl. li. for euery time that they doo the contrary, the one halfe to the kinge our soueraigne lord, and the o- ther halfe to the partie that therfoze shall sue by action of dette infor- mation or otherwise, and that in the action afoze saide no protection or esloyn- ment shalbe allowed: As by the same act amonges other thinges therein con- tained moze plainely may appere. Sithen whiche sayde seuerall actes esta- blished and made (as is afoze saide) diuers maisters wardynes and fe- lowshippes

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Apprentice;

Fraternities

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felowshippes of craftes, haue by cautel and subtil meanes compassed and practised to defraude and delude the said good and holsum statutes, causing dyuers prentises or yonge men immediatly after their yerres be expired, or that they be made free of their occupatiō or felowship, to be sworn vpon the holy Euangelist at their first entre, that they ne any of the after their yerres or terme expired, shall not set vp or open any sheppe house nor sellar, nor occupie as freemen, without the assent and licence of the master wardens or felowshippes of their occupations, vpon paine of forfaitinge their freedome, or other like penaltrie. By reason wherof the said prentises & iourney men be put to as moch or more charges therby then they before time were put vnto for the obtaininge and entering of their freedom, to the great hurt and impouerishment of the saide prentises and iourney men, and other their frendes. For remedie wherof be it now, by the auctoritie of this present parliament established, or deined, and enacted, that no master wardens or felowshippes of craftes, nor any of them, nor any rulers of fraternities gildes or brotherhodes fro hensforth copel or cause any prentice or iourney mā by oth or bond heretofore made or hereafter to be made, or otherwise, that he after his apprentiship or terme expired, shall not set vp nor kepe any shop house or sellar, nor occupie as a free man without licence of the master wardens or felowship of his or their occupation, for and concerning the same, nor by any meane exact or take of any such prentice or iourneymen, nor any other occupieng for them self, nor of any other persons for them, after his or their said yerres expired, any sum of money or other thinges for or concerning his or their freedome, or occupatiō, otherwise or in any other maner than before is recited limited & appointed in the said former acte, made in the said. xxi. yere of the reigne of king Henry the viii. vpon the payne to forfaitte for euery time that they or any of them shall offend contrary to this acte. xl. li. The one half therof to the king our souerayne lord, & the other half to the partie that wil sue for the same in any of the kinges courtes, by actiō of det. informatiō, or otherwise: in which suite or action no protectiō nor eschoine shall be allowed for the partie defendant.

Journey mā,

In acte for continuance of the statutes for beggers & vacabundes and against conueyaunce of horses and mares out of this realme, against welthe men making affrayes in the countie of Hertf. Glouc. and Salop, and against the vice of buggery. Cap. vi.



Here in the parliament begonne at London the thirde day of Nouembre, in the xxi. yere of the reigne of our most dread soueraigne lord king Henry the. viii. and from thence adiourned to westmynster, and there holden and continued by prorogation vnto the. xvi. day of Januarie in the. xxii. yere of our saide soueraine lord, it was then in that session of the saide parliament, an acte made and established, declaring and concerning aswell

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as well how aged, pooze, and impotent personnes, compelled to lyue by al-
 my shoulde be ordeered, as howe vacabundes and myghty strong beggers
 shoulde be whippyed and punished: whiche acte was then made to endure and
 continue vntyll the last daye of the nexte parliament. And where also in the
 same session of the sayd parliament, one other acte was made for the restraint
 of carting and conueyinge of hoxses and mares out of this realme, whiche
 acte was also made to continue and endure to the last daye of the nexte par-
 lament, as by the sayd two seuerall actes moze plainly appereth. And where
 also at the sayde parliament continued and prozoged vnto the thyrde daye of
 Nouembze, in the .xxvi. yere of the reygne of our sayde soueraygne lord, it
 was then in that session of the sayd parliament, an other acte made and esta-
 blyshed, for punyshement of wellshemen, attemptynge assautes o: affrayes
 vpon any the inhabitauntes of Hereford, Gloucestre, Shropshyre, whi-
 che acte was also made to endure vnto the last daye of the nexte parliament,
 as by the sayde acte moze plainly appereth. And where also in the sayd par-
 lament, contynued and prozoged vnto the .xv. daye of January, in the .xxv.
 yere of our sayde souerayne lord, it was then in that session of the sayd par-
 lament one other acte made and establyshed for punyshement of the vyce of
 buggery, declarynge suche offence to be felony, whych acte was than also
 made to endure to the last daye of the nexte parliament, as by the sayde acte
 moze plainly appereth. For as moche as the sayde .iiii. seuerall actes be be-
 neficiall and profitable for the common weale of this realme, Be it therfore
 enacted by auctoritie of this present parliament, that the said .iiii. actes and
 every of them, and al clausies, articles, and pzoissions therein contained, shall
 from henceforth be obserued and kept, and continue and endure vnto the last
 daye of the nexte parliament.

Dagabundes

Hoxses and
mares.

wellshemen.

Buggery.

**An acte for the establyshement of the succession of the impe-
 riall crowne of this realme. Capi. vii.**



A their most humble wyse shewen to your moste royal maie-
 stie, the lordes spiritual and tempozal, and al other your lo-
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 most high court of parliament assembled, that where in your
 laste parliament, begonne and holden at London the thirde
 daye of Nouembze, in the .xxi. yere of your mooste gracious
 rygne, and from thens adozned to westm, and there holden and contynu-
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 .xxv. yere of your mooste noble reygne, and than there holden, It was made
 and ordeyned an acte concernynge amonges many thynges: as wel for ratt-
 fication and confyrmation of your maryage, than hadde and solempnyed
 betwene your hyghnes and the late lady Anne Boleyne Marques of Pem-
 broke, as for the lymitation of the successiō of your imperial crowne of this
 realme, to the issue of your body begoten & to be begoten of the body of the
 sayde

Lady Anne
Boleyn.

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 blished, for punishment of welshemen, attemptynge assaultes or assaues
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Dagadun

Hoxses and
mares.

welshemen.

Beggery.

**An acte for the establisshement of the succession of the impe-
 riall crowne of this realme. Capi. vii.**



A their most humble wyse shewen to your moste royal maie-
 stie, the lordes spiritual and tempozal, and al other your lo-
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 realme, to the issue of your body begoten & to be begoten of the body of the
 sayde

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sayde ladye Anne, with diuers remaynder ouer foꝛ defaute of suche issue, as in the said acte playnely & particularly moze at large is expꝛessed and mencioned. And where also by the sayde acte it was ordeyned and establisshed, that all and syngular your subiectes shuld take a coꝛpꝛal othe foꝛ the fullfyllinge, maynteynyng, and defendyng, the hole effectes and contentes of the sayde acte. And it was further ordeyned by the sayde acte amonges otheꝛ thinges, that if any person oꝛ personnes, subiecte oꝛ resiant within this realme, oꝛ within any your graces dominions, after the fyrst daye of Maye than nexte ensuyng, by wyꝛtyng, pꝛynte, dede, oꝛ acte pꝛocured oꝛ doyd, oꝛ caused to be pꝛocured oꝛ done any thyng oꝛ thynges to the pꝛeiudice, slander, dyꝛturbance, oꝛ derogation of the sayd matrymony, solemnised betwene your maiestie and the sayd ladye Anne, oꝛ to the peryl, sleaunders, oꝛ disherison of any the issues and heꝛes of your hyghnes beyng lympꝛted by the same acte to inherite & to be inheritable to the crowne of this realme, wherby any suche issues oꝛ heires of your hyghnes myghte be destroyed, disturbed, oꝛ interrupted in bodye oꝛ title of inheritance to the crowne of this realme, as to them is lympꝛted in the same acte: that than euery suche person and personnes, and theyꝛ aydours, counsaylours, maynteynours, and abettours, and euery of them, foꝛ euery suche offence, shoulde be adiudged hyghe traytours, and that euery siche offence, shuld be adiudged high treason. And the offendours and their aydours, counsaylours, maynteynours, and abettours, and euery of them, beyng lawefully conuꝛcte of suche offence by pꝛesentment, verdicte, confession, oꝛ pꝛocesse, accoꝛding to the customes and lawes of this realme, shulde suffre paynes of death, as in cases of hyghe treason: as in the said acte amonges many other articles, clauses, and pꝛouisions, is moze at large mencioned and specified.

Succession.

AND also in the sayd parlyamente holden at westmynster by pꝛꝛogation in the thyrde daye of Nouembꝛe, in the xxvi. yere of your mooste noble reygne, an other acte was made foꝛ declaration and ratification of the sayd othe, whiche dyuers of your subiectes then hadde taken, and all your subiectes after that were bounde to take foꝛ due obseruation of the sayd acte of the sayde Succession, as by the same acte amonges other thinges is also specified and expꝛessed. And all be it mooste dꝛadde soueraygne lord, that the sayde actes were thenne made, as it was then thoughte by your maiestie, nobles and commons, vpon a pure perfite and clere foundation, thynkyng the sayde martage then had betwene your highnes and the sayd ladye Anne in theyꝛ consciences to haue ben pure sincere perfite and good, and so was reputed, accepted, and taken in the realme, tyll nowe of late, that god of his infinite goodnes (frome whom noo secrete thynges canne be hydd) hath caused to be bꝛoughte to lyghte euident and open knowledge, as well certayne iuste, trewe and lawefulle impedimentes vnknewen at the makinge of the sayde actes, and sithen that time confessed by the sayde ladye Anne, befoꝛe the mooste reuerende father in god Thomas Archebysshoppe of Canturburꝛe, Metropolitane and pꝛymate of all Englande, settinge

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judicially for the same: by the which plainly appereth, that the said marriage betwene your grace and the said lady Anne, was neuer good nor cōsonant to the lawes, but vtterly boyde and of none effecte. By reasō wherof, your highnes was & is laufully deuozced and seperated from the bōdes of the said mariage in the lyfe of the said ladye Anne. And this not withstanding moſte gracious ſoueraigne lord, the lady Eliſabeth your doughter, being borne vnder the said vnlaufull mariage, by vertue and auctoritie of y^ere of your ſucceſſiō aboue remēbzed, for lacke of heires males of y^ere body, ſhuld immediately ſuccede as your lauful heire in y^e moſt roial eſtate of your imperiall crowne of this realme, gainſt all honour equitie reaſon and good conſcience, if remedy ſhuld not be pꝛouided for y^e ſame. And ouer this moſt dreadſouerayne lord, al be it that your maieſtie not knowing of any laful impedimētes, entered into y^e bondes of the said vnlaful mariage, & auanced y^e ſame lady Anne to the honour of the ſoueraigne eſtate of quene of this realme: yet neuer the leſſe ſhe inflamed with pride & carnal deſires of her body, putting a part y^e drede of god and excellent benefites receiues of your highnes, confederated her ſelfe wth George Bolein late lord Rocheford, her naturall brother, Henry Norreis eſquier, Fraunces weſton knight William Bzereton eſquier, gentillmen of your priuie chaumbre, & Marke ſumton Grome of your ſaid priuie chaumbre, & ſo being confederated, they moſte traigerouſly cōmytted and parpetrated diuers deteſtable and abhominable treaſons, to the moſte fearefull perill and daunger of the ſubuerſion of your moſt roiall perſon, and to the vtter loſſe diſheriſon and ſolation of this realme, if god of his goodnes had not in due tim brought theſe ſaid treaſons to light: for the which being palinely and manifeſtely pꝛoued, they were conuicte & atteinted by the due courſe and order of your common lawes of this realme, and haue ſuffered accoꝝpnye to theſe incꝛymas by the recoꝝdes therof moꝝe at large maye appere.

And al be it moſt gracious and moſt dyed ſoueraigne lord, diuers & ſonday honourable juſt true and reaſonable claufes, be conteyned & expreſſed in the ſaid act, made for the eſtabliſhement of your ſucceſſion, which be verye neceſſary and pꝛofitable for the common welthe of this realme: yet neuer y^eles becauſe certaine articles & claufes contained in the ſame, concerninge the ratification of your ſaid vnlaufull mariage, betwene your highnes & the ſaid ladye Anne, and the limitation of your ſucceſſion to the iſſues of your body had by the ſaide lady Anne, & the othe expreſſed and mentioned in bothe the actes aboue remēbzed, for the defending and maynteynyng the holle effectes and contentes of the ſaide acte, whiche claufes and articles be nowe become of late ſo diſhonourable, and ſoo far diſſaunte from the due courſe of your common lawes of your realme, and alſo ſo moche agaiſt good reaſon equitie and good conſcience, that they can not be ſuſtained nor tollerated to continue & endure without greatte perill of dyuſion hereafter to be hadde by occaſion of the ſame, amōges vs your ſaid moſt humble louinge and obedient ſubiectes & our poſterities. It may therfore

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please your highnes of your most excellent and accustomable goodnes, and for the entier loue fauour & hartie affection, that your maiestie hath alwaies borne and beareth to the cōmon welthe of this your realm, and for the conseruation of the good peace vnitie and reste of vs your mooste bounden, & obediente subiectes, and of your said posterities, that it maye be enacted by auctoritie of this present parlyamente, that the said two actes and euery of them, and al clauses articles and prouisions therin conteyned, from & fithte daye of this present parliāment, shall be repealed, adnulled, and made frustrate, and of none effecte.

Repele,

¶ Wherbynded allwaie, that the saide repeale and adnullation of the sayde acte, which was made for the establisshement of your succession, shall not be taken expounded nor vnderstand, to discharg any persone or persones, which haue done or committed any offences of treason, or misprision of treason, contrary to the same acte, or any parte therof, at any time afoze & fithte daie, of this presente parlyamente: but that suche offences of treason and misprision of treason, done and committed by any personne or persones, contrary to the same acte, afoze the fithte daye of this present parlyamente, shall be and remaine in the same degre & qualitie to be punished by auctoritie of the same acte, as if the same acte hadde not ben repealed: the repeale and adnullation of the same acte by auctoritie of this present parlyamente in any wyse not withstandinge. Neuer the lasse the kynges mooste royall maiestie, mooste gratiouselpe consyderynge, that diuers and manie of his mooste louynge and obedysnte subiectes nowe latelie afoze the begynnynge of this presente parlyamente, haue spoken, doone, practised, procured, and attempted, as well by wordes wyrtynge and pryntynge, as by exteriour actes, not onely against the said vnlawfull mariage, solempnised betwene his highnesse and the saide ladye Anne, and to the prejudice sclaunder disturbance and derogation therof, but also to & perill sclaunder and disherison of the ladye Elysabeth the kynges daughter illegyttimate borne vnder the same mariage, and to the let disturbaunce & interruption of the said ladye Elysabeth to the title of the crowne: and also to depriue & said ladye Anne late Quene, and the said ladye Elysabeth, and euery of the of theyr dignitie title and name of theyr totall estates, contrarie to the tenours purpotes prouisions and ordynaunces, as well conteyned in the said acte made in the lasse parlyament for the establisshement of the kynges succession, as in an other act made in the lasse parlyament for punishment of treasons. Which wordes doynges practises procurementes & attemptes of his saide subiectes, all be it they proceeded of no malice, but vpon true and iuste groundes, for punishment of the said late ladye Anne, accordyng to her desertes, and for reformation of the saide vnlawfull mariage, for the suretie of the kynges highnesse, & for the vnitie and welthe of this realme: yet neuerthelesse the kynges said subiectes mought hereafter happen to be empeched troubled and vexed for such theyr wordes doinges actes procurementes and attemptes, as well by reason of the said estatute, made for the estate

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ablyment of the kinges succession, and nowe repealed by this act, as
 by occasion of other statutes heretofore made for punishment of treasō and
 misprision of treason, to the greatte daunger and perilles of the liues lan-
 des and goodes of the kinges sayde subiectes, which onely for harty good
 will and faithfull obedience, that they beare to the kinges maiestie, incur-
 red into the sayd dangers and perils: The kinges highnes thefore of his
 most bountifull mercy and benignitie is pleased and contented, that it be
 enacted by auctoritie of this presente parliament, that all and singular his
 louinge subiectes, which haue spoken done practised committed or attempt-
 ed, or procured to be done or attempted directely or indyrectely, by wordes,
 writings, printes, or any exterior acte, any thinge or thynges what so euer
 to be against the said marriage, solempnyed betwene his highnesse and the
 said late Quene Anne, or for the settinge forth the or preferremente of the de-
 ceit or dissolution therof: or against the said late quene Anne, or the said
 lady Elizabeth, or to any of theyr? sclaunders perilles, or disherisōs: or haue
 bulled bulled or desired by wordes or writings, or inuēted imagined prac-
 tised or attempted any bodily harme to the said late quene Anne, or lady E-
 lizabeth, or to depriue the same late quene Anne, or lady Elizabeth, or any
 of them, of the dignitie title or name of theyr? royall estates, or haue spoken
 done or procured to be done any other wordes writiges printinges wilhing
 bullinge, thinge or thynges, acte or actes, against the saide late quene Anne
 or lady Elizabeth, which is or moughte be demed or interpreted for treasō,
 or misprision of treason by any construction bypon any of þ statutes of this
 realme heretofore made, shall be freely and clerely pardoned discharged &
 released by auctoritie of this act of al those and such treasons, and misprisi-
 ons of treasons aboue mencioned, And that none of his said louing sub-
 iectes for any of þ said treasons or misprisions of treason aboue mencioned
 and specified, shall hereafter at any tyme, by any maner of meanes be em-
 peched vered or troubled in theyr? bodys liues lades goodes or cattalles, any
 thinge in this act, or in any acte or actes heretofore made for treasons or
 misprisions of treason, to the contrary therof not withstandinge.

Pardon;

¶ And that it be further enacted by auctoritie afoze saide, that the sayde
 late Quene Anne, George Boleyn, late lord Rocheforde, Henry Foxreis
 esquier, Fraunces Weston knight, William Brereton esquier, and Marke
 Smeton, for theyr? abhominable and detestable treasons, by them and eue-
 ry of them mooste abhominably and trayterously committed and done a-
 gainst your maiestie & the realme, shall be by auctoritie of this present para-
 lyment convicted and atteinted of high treason, in suche maner & fourme
 and accordyngely as they be, by the dewe course and order of your lawes
 of this realme. And that the saide late Quene Anne, George lord Roche-
 forde, Henry Foxreis, Fraunces Weston, William Brereton, and Marke
 Smeton, and euery of them, shall lose and forsaite to your highnes and
 to your heires, al suche theyr? manours, meases, landes, tenementes, rentes,
 curtyons, remainders, bles, possessions, offices, ryghtes, condicions,

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and all other hereditamentes, of what names natures or qualtyes so ever they be, which they or any of them, or any other to theyr uses, or to the use of any of them had or ought to have had of any estate of inheritance in fee simple or in fee taile, in use or possession at the dates of their several treasons, committed limited and expressed in theyr inditemente, or at any time after. Saving to every person & persons, and bodies politike, and to the heires assignes and successours of every of them (other than to the said late Queene Anne, and the other traitours aforesaid named: and theyr heires and assignes of every of them and all and every other person & persons claiming by the of or any of them, or to theyr uses, or to the uses of any of them, or to the use of any of theyr heires) all such right title use possession interest condicion fees offices rentes annuites commons, and all other commodities and hereditamentes, what so ever they or any of them might have had or ought to have had, if this acte had never ben had ne made.

Princes
Dowager

Queene
Jane.

¶ And over this moste gracious Soueraigne lord, for as moche as it hath pleased your moste rotall maiestie, notwithstandinge the great and intolerable perils and occasions, which your highnes hath suffered and sustained, as wel by occasion of your firste unlawfull mariage solemnised betwene your highnesse and the lady Katheryne, late princes Dowager, as by occasion of the saide unlawfull mariage betwene your highnes and the said late queene Anne, at the most humble petition and intercession of vs your nobles of this realme, for the ardent loue and fervent affection, which your highnes beareth to the conservation of the peace and by the of the same, & for the good and quiete gouernaunce thereof, of your moste excellent goodness to entre in to mariage againe, and have chosen & taken a righte noble vertuous and excellent lady quene Jane to your trewe and lawfull wyfe, and have lawfully celebrated and solemnised mariage with her, according to the lawes of holy church: Who for her convenient yeres, excellent beautie, and purenesse of fleshe and bloudde, is apte (god willinge) to conceiue issue by your highnesse: whiche mariage is so pure and sincere, without spotte doubt or impediment, that the issue procreated vnder the same, when it shal please almighty god to send it, can not be lawfully trewely nor justly interrupted or disturbed of the ryghte and title in the succession of your crowne: It maye therfore now please your moste gracious maiestie, at the moste humble petition and intercession of vs your nobles and commons, assembled in this presente parliamente, as well for the clere extinguisshment of all ambyguities and doubtes, as for a pure and perfecte vnitie of vs your moste humble and obedient subiectes, and of all our posterities, that it maye be enacted by your moste gracious and rotall maiestie, by consent of vs the lordes spiritual and tempozal, and the commons in this present parliament assembled, and by auctoritie of the same in maner and forme as hereafter in articles ensueth.

¶ FYRSTE FOR AS MOCHE as the maryage here to fore solemnised betwene your highnes and the said lady Katharine, late princes Dowager

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your deceased, whiche afore was lawfull wyfe to your naturall brother
 prince Arthur, and by hym carnally knowen, as hath duly bene proued by
 sufficient witnesses, at al times was is and ought to be demed and determi-
 ned to be against the lawes of almighty god, & not dispensable by any hu-
 mane auctoritie, and so hath be demed and determined, as well by the hole
 clainge of this realme, in both conuocations, and by bothe the vniuersities
 thereof, as by the vniuersities of Bonony, Padua, Paris, Oyleaunde, Co-
 lumbes, Angiew, and diuers other, & also by a great nombze of priuate wy-
 ses of many ryghte excellent well lerned men: Be it therfore enacted by
 auctoritie of this presente parliamente, accordinge as it was ordeyned and
 enacted in the said acte made in the last parlyament for the establisshement
 of your succession, that the said mariage heretofore hadde and solempnised
 betwene your highnesse and the said lady Katherine, which was befoze lau-
 full wyfe, to the said prince Arthur your elder brother, and by hym carnally
 knowen, as doth dewely appere be sufficient proue in a laufull proces had
 and made befoze the said most reuerend father in god Thomas, by the suf-
 france of god archebischoppe of Caunturburpe, Metropolitane and pry-
 mator of all England, shall be by auctoritie of this presente parliament dis-
 sentinelly clerely and absolutely declared demed & adiudged to be against
 the lawes of almighty god, and also accepted reputed and taken of no va-
 lue effect, but utterly void and adnichiled: And that the seperation ther-
 of made by the said archebischoppe shall be good and effectuell to all inten-
 tes and purposes, any licence, dispensation, or any other acte or actes going
 befoze or ensuinge the same, or to the contrarie therof in any wise not with-
 standinge. And that euery suche lycence, dispensation, acte or actes, thynge
 or thynges, had made done or to be done to the contrary therof, shall be to al
 intentes void and of none effecte, and so shall be reputed and take by and
 amonges al vs your true subiectes and inhabitauntes, our hetres and suc-
 cessours of and in your realme and dominions for euer. And that the issue
 borne and procreated vnder the same vnlaufull mariage, made & solempni-
 sed betwene your highnes and the said lady Katherine, shall be take demed
 and accepted illegittimate to all intentes and pourposes, and shall be utter-
 ly excluded and barred to claime chalenge or demaunde any inhe-
 ritance as laufull heyze to your highnesse by liniall dissent.

And also for as moche as the mariage solempnised, betwene your high-
 nes and the said late quene Anne by so true and iuste causes was and is de-
 med and adiudged by the said most reuerende father, to be of noo value ne
 effecte, and a deuozce & seperation therof hadde and made by the due order
 and processe of the lawes of the churche of Englande, befoze the said reue-
 rende father, Be it therfore enacted, by the auctoritie of this present parlia-
 ment, that the same mariage betwene your highnes & the said late quene Anne,
 shall be taken reputed demed and adiudged to be of no force strength ver-
 tue nor effecte: & that the separation and deuozce therof had by the sentece
 and iudgement of the said most reuerende father, shall be good & effectuell,

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and soo here after shall be taken and reputed for euer by al your subiectes, theyr heires and successours. And that none appeale repeale reuocation or adnullation therof, or any part of the same, shall here after be hadde taken allowed or admitted in any behalfe. And that all the issues and chyldrene bozne and procreated vnder the same mariage betwene your highnesse and the said late quene Anne, shall be taken reputed and accepted to be illegitimate to al intentes and purposes, and vtterly forclosed excluded and barred to claime, challenge, or demaunde any inheritance as lawfull heire or heires to your highnes by lynesall descent the sayd former acte made in the last parlyament, for the establisshement of your succession, or any thing therein contyned, or any other thinge or thinges to the contrarie therof in any wyse not withstandinge.

Degrees of
marriage pro-
hibited by
goddes la-
wes.

¶ And further moze syng many inconueniencies haue fallen, as wel within this realme as in others, by reason of marieng within the degrees of mariage, prohibited by goddes lawes, that is to say, the sonne to marie the mother, or the stepmother carnally knowen by his father, the brother the sister, the father his sonnes daughter, or his daughters daughter: or the sonne to marie the daughter of his father procreate and bozne by his stepmother: or the son to marie his aunte, being his fathers or mothers sister: or to marie his vnclis wyfe carnally knowen by his vncl: or his father to marie his sonnes wyfe carnally knowen by his son: or the brother to marie his brothers wyfe carnally knowen by his brother: or any man, married, & carnally knowinge his wyfe, to marie his wifes daughter, or his wifes sonnes daughter, or his wifes daughters daughter, or his wifes sister.

Prohibitions
of mariage.

¶ And further to dilate and declare the meaning of these prohibitions, it is to be vnderstand, that if it chaunce any man to knowe carnally any woman, that then all and singuler personnes, beinge in any degree of consanguinitie or affinitie, as aboue wytten, to any of the parties so carnally offendinge, shall be demed and adiudged to be within the cases and limites of the said prohibitions of mariage. All whiche mariages all be it they be playnely prohibite & detested by the lawes of god, yet neuertheles at some times they haue proceeded vnder colours of dispensations by mans power which is but vsurped, and of right oughte not to be graunted admitted ne, allowed. For no man, of what estate degree or condition so euer he be, hath power to dispence with goddes lawes, as all the clergie of this realme in the said conuocations, and the moste parte of all the vniuersities of christendome, and we also do asseyne and thynke.

¶ BE IT therfoze enacted by auctorite afoze sayde, accordynge as it is declared and contened in the said acte, made in the last parlyament for the establisshement of your succession, that no person or persons, subiectes or resyauntes of this realme, or in any your dominions, of what estate degree or dignitie so euer they be, shall from hensforth mary within the degrees afoze rehersted, what pretence so euer shall be made to the contrarie therof. And in case any person or persons, of what estate dignitie degree or condition so euer

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wherby be hath bene heretofore maried within this realme, or in any other
the kinges dominions, within any the degrees aboue reherſed, and by any
the archebiſhoppes or miniſters of the church of England be ſeparate from
the bondes of ſuch vnlaufull mariages: that then euery ſuche ſeperation
ſhalbe good laufull firme and permanent for euer, & not by any power au-
thoritie or meanes to be reuoked or vndone hereafter. And that the children
proceeding or procreate vnder ſuch vnlaufull maryage, ſhal not be laufull ne
legitimate: any forſeyn lawes lycences diſpenſations, or other thing or thin-
g to the contrary therof not withſtandinge. And that in caſe there be any
perſon or perſons within this realme, or in any the kinges dominions al re-
married within any of the ſaid degrees aboue ſpecified, and not yet ſepe-
rate from the bondes of ſuch vnlaufull marriage, that then euery ſuche per-
ſon, ſo vnlaufullly married, ſhalbe ſeperate by the diffinitive ſentence and iu-
gement of the archebiſhops, biſhops, and other miniſters of the church of
Englande, and in other your dominions, within the limittes of their iuris-
dictions & auctorities, and by none other power or auctoritie. And that all
ſentences and iugementes giuen and to be giue by any archebiſhop biſhop
or other miniſter of the church of Englaſde, or in any other the kinges do-
minions, within the limittes of their iuriſdictions and auctoritie, ſhal be
diffinitive firme good and effectuell to all intentes, and be obſerued, and o-
beyed, without ſuing any prouocations, appeles, prohibitions, or other pro-
ceſſes, from or to the courte of Rome, to the derogation therof, or contrary to
the acte made ſithen the beginninge of the laſt parliament for reſtrainte of
ſuch prouocations, appeles, prohibitions, and other proceſſes.

And alſo be it enacted by auctoritie afore ſaid, that all the iſſue hereafter
to be had and procreate betwene your highnes, and your ſaid moſt dere and
cherly beloued laufull wyfe Quene Jane, ſhal be your laufull children &
heires, and be inheritable and inherite, accordinge to the courſe of inheri-
taunce and lawes of this realme, the imperiall crowne of the ſame, with all
dignities, honours, preeminences, prerogatiues, auctorities, and iuriſdicti-
ons to the ſame annexed or belonging, in as large & ample maner, as your
highnes at this preſent time hath the ſame as king of this realme, the inhe-
ritance therof to be and remayne to your ſaid children and right heyres in
maner and fourme as here after ſhalbe declared, That is to ſay.

Fiſt the ſaid imperiall crowne and other the premiſſes, ſhalbe to your
maieſtie and to your heires of your body laufullly begoten, that is to ſay, to
the firſt ſonne of your body betwene your highnes and your ſaide lawefull
wyfe quene Jane begoten, & to the heires of the body of the ſame firſt ſon
laufullly begoten. And for default of ſuch heires, than to the ſeconde ſonne
of your body, and of the body of the ſaid Quene Jane begoten, and to the
heires of the body of the ſame ſeconde ſonne laufullly begoten, as aforeſaid
and ſo to euery ſonne of your body, and of the body of the ſaid quene Jane
begoten, and to the heires of the body of euery ſuch ſon begoten, according
to the courſe of inheritance in that behalfe.

Establishment of the
kinges high-
neſſe ſucceſſi-
on,

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And if it shall happen your saide moste dere and entierly beloued wyfe queene Jane to decease without issue male of the body of your highnes to be begotten (which god defende) then the same imperial crowne, and all other the p̄misses to be to your maiestie, as is afoze said, and to the sonne and heire male of your body laufullly begotten by any other laufull wyfe, and to the heires of the body of the same sonne & heire male laufullly begotten. And foꝛ defaute of such issue, than to your second sonne of your body laufullly begotten, and to the heires of the body of the same second sonne laufullly begotten: and so from sonne and heire male, to sonne and heire male, & to the heires of the seuerall bodies of euery such sonne and heire male laufullly begotten, accordyng to the course of inheritauce, in like maner and fourme, as is aboue said.

And foꝛ defaute of such sonnes of your body lawfully begotten: and of the heires of the seuerall bodies of euery such sonne laufullly begotten, that thenne the saide imperial crowne, and other the p̄misses, shall be to the issue female betwene your maiestie and your saide moste dere and entierly beloued wyfe Queene Jane begotten: And foꝛ lacke of suche issue, than to the heires females of your body laufullly begotten by any other laufull wyfe: that is to saye: firste to the eldeste issue female, and to the heires of her bodie laufullly begotten, and so from issue female to issue female, and to their heires of their bodies one after an other by course of inheritauce, accordyng to their ages, as the crowne of Englande hath ben accustomed and ought to succede and go, in case when there is heire female inheritable to the same.

And foꝛ as moche as it standeth at this p̄sent time in the only pleasure and wyll of almighty god, whether your maiestie shall haue heires begotten and p̄created betwene your highnes and your saide moste dere and entierly beloued wyfe queene Jane, oꝛ elles any laufull heires and issues hereafter of your owne body begotten by any other laufull wyfe, and if such heires shuld faile (as god defende) and no p̄uision made in your life, who shulde rule and gouerne this realme foꝛ lacke of such heires: that then this realme after your transitoꝛie lyfe shall be destitute of a laufull gouernour: Oꝛ elles p̄casse encombr̄ed with suche a personne, that wolde couet to aspyre to the same, whome the subiectes of this realme shall not fynde in their hartes to loue & reuerence and obediently serue as their soueraigne loꝛde. And if your grace afoze it maye be certaynely knowen, whether ye shall haue heires oꝛ no, shulde sodaynely name and declare any person oꝛ persones to succede after your decease, and foꝛ lacke of heires of your body lawfully begotten, into the royall estate of the imperial crowne of this realme: thanne it is to be doubted, that such person that shulde be so named, mought happen to take great harte and courage, and by p̄sumption fall to inobedience & rebellion by occasion of which p̄misses greate diuision and discention maye be and is very likely to arise and springe in this realme, to the greate perill and destruction of vs your moste humble and obedyent subiectes, and of all oure posterite.

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ppetities, if remedie for the same shuld not be prouided. For reformation
 and remedie wherof, we your moste bounden and lounge subiectes, most o-
 bediently knowleginge, that your maiestie most victoriously prudently po-
 sibly and indifferently hath maynteyned defended gouerned and ruled
 this realme, in good peace rest quietnes & obedience, during all the time of
 your moste gracious reigne, which we most hartely desire moughte conti-
 nue for euer, puttinge all our hole truste and confydence in your high-
 nes, and nothinge doubtyng, but that your maiestie, if ye shouldestaple
 byes of your body lausfully begotten (which god defend) for the hartly loue
 and feruent affection, that ye beare to this realme, and for auoydinge all
 the occasions of diuision afoze rcherfed, so earnestly myndeth the welth of the
 same, that ye can best and moste prudently prouide suche a gouernour for
 us and this your realme, as shall and will succede and folowe in the iuste
 and right trade of all your proceedinges, and maynteyne kepe and defende
 the same, and all the lawes and ordinaunces established in your most gra-
 cious tyme for the welth of this realme, which al we desire, wherby we your
 loue moste lounge and obedient subiectes, and our heires and successours
 shal and may liue, as nere as may be, in as good peace unitie & obedience as
 your decesse, as we haue liued in the time of your moste gracious reigne,
 so therfore most humbly beseeche your highnes, that it may be enacted, for
 auoyding of all ambiguities, doubttes deuisions and occasions in that be-
 half, by your moste royall maiestie, by the assente of vs the lordes spiritual
 and tempozall, and the commons in this your present parliament assembled,
 and by auctoritie of the same, that your highnes shal haue full and plenat
 power and auctoritie, to giue dispose appoynte assigne declare and limite
 by your letters patentes vnder your great seale, or elles by your laste wyll
 made in wrytinge, and assigned with your moste gracious hand, at your onc-
 ly pleasure from time to time, hereafter the imperial crowne of this realme
 and all other the premisses therunto belonging, to be remaine succede and
 come after your decesse, and for lacke of laweful heyres of your body to be
 appropriated and begotten as is afoze limited by this acte, to such person or
 persons in possession and remaynder, as shal please your highnes, & accor-
 dyng to such estate, and after such maner fourme facion order and condici-
 on, as shalbe expressed declared named and limited in your said letters pa-
 tentes, or by your said laste wyll. And we your moste humble and obedient
 subiectes do faithfully promise to your maiestie by one comon assent, that
 after your decesse & for lacke of heires of your body lausfully begotten, as
 is afoze reherfed, we our heires and successours shal accepte and take, loue
 byde serue and alonely obey such person and persons, males or females, as
 your maiestie shal giue your said imperial crown vnto by auctoritie of this
 act, and to none other, and holly to sticke to them as true and faithfull sub-
 iectes ought to do, to their regall rulers gouernours and supreme heades.
 ¶ And for sure corroboration therof be it further enacted by auctoritie a-
 foz said, that such person and persones, as to whome it shall please your
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maiestie to dispose limite and assigne your said crowne, and other the premises thereto appertaininge, by your letters patentes, or by your last will, as is aforesaide, shall haue and enioye the same after your decease, and for lacke of heires of your bodie lawfully begotten, according to suche estate, and after such maner fourme facion order and condition, as shalbe therof expessed mentioned and conteyned in your said letters patentes, or in your said last will, in as large and ample maner, as if such person and persons had be your lafull heires to the imperiall crowne of this realme, and as if the same crowne of this realme had be giuen and limited to them plainly and particularly by special names and sufficient termes and wordes by the full and immediate auctoritie of this your most high court of parliament.

¶ And it is further enacted by auctoritie aforesaid, that if any of your heires or children hereafter doo vsurpe the one of them vpon the other in the crowne of this realme, or claime or chalenge your said imperiall crowne in any other fourme or degree of discent or succession then is aforesayd by this acte: Or if any person or persons, to whom it shal please your highnes of your mooste excellent goodnes, by auctoritie of this acte to giue and dispose your said crowne and dignitie of this realme, or the heires of any of them, do at any time hereafter demaunde chalenge or claime your said crowne of this realme, other wise or in any other course fourme degree or condition, then the same shall be giuen disposed and limited vnto them by your highnes, by vertue and auctoritie of this acte. Or if any such person or persons, to whom your maiestie shal hereafter giue or dispose your said crowne by auctoritie of this acte, or any of their heires, do interrupte or let any of the heires of your maiestie, that is or shalbe begoten, borne, & procreated vnder your lafull pure sincere and vndouted mariage now had and solemnised betwene your highnes and your said mooste dere and entirely beloued wife quene Jane, or any other your lafull heyres here after to be begoten of your body by any other lafull mariage, peaceably & quietly to kepe haue and enioye the saide imperiall crowne, and other the premises, by course of inheritance according to the limitation therof, expessed and declared by this acte, that then all & singular the offendours in any of the premises contrary to this acte, & all their abettours mainteinours fauours counsaylours and aydours therein, shalbe demed and adiudged high traytours to the realme. And that euery such offence shall be accepted reported and taken to be high treason, and the offendours therein, their aydours mainteinours fauours counsaylours and abettours and euery of them, for euery such offence shal suffer such iudgement and peines of death, losses & forfeitures of landes goodes and priuileges of sanctuary, as in any cases of high treason. And ouer that as well your sayde heires and children, as euery such person and persons, to whom your highnes shall limite your said crowne, in fourme as is aforesaide, and euery of theyr heyres for euery suche offence aboue specified, by them or any of them, to be committed, shal lose and forfeite as well all suche righte title and interest, that they maye claime

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any challenge in or to the crowne of this realme, as heires by descent,
by reason of any giste or act that shalbe done by your highnes, for his or
her advancement, by auctoritie of this acte, or other wyle by any maner
of names or pretence what so euer it be.

And be it further enacted by auctoritie aforesaid, that if any person or
persons, of what estate degrees dignitie or condition so euer they be, at any
time hereafter, by wordes wytinge imprintinge, or by any exterior acte or
maliciously or willingly procure, or do or cause to be procured or done
directly or indirectly, any thing or thinges, to the perill of your moste roy-
all person, or to the perill of the person of any your heires or successours ha-
ving the royall estate of the crowne of this realme: or maliciously or wyl-
fully give occasion by wordes wytinge print dede or acte, whereby your
highnes or any your said heires or successours, haupng the royall estate of
the crowne of this realme, might be disturbed or interrupted of the crowne of
this realme: Or by wordes wytinge print dede or acte procure or do, or cause
to be procured or done any thing or thinges, to or for the interruptio repele
or annullation of this acte, or of any thing therein contained, or of any thing
that shall be done by your highnes in the limitatation and disposicion of your
realm by auctoritie of p same. Or by wordes wytinge print dede or acte pro-
cure or cause to be procured or done any thing or thinges, to the pzeiudice
scandaler disturbance or derogation of the said lawfull matrimony, solemp-
nized betwene your maiestie and the said quene Jane, or any other your law-
full wife or wiues hereafter by your highnes to be taken: Or to p peril sclan-
der or disherison of any of the issues and heires of your highnes, being ly-
mited by this acte to enherite, and to be inheritable to the crown of this re-
alm, in such forme as is aforesaid: Or to the interruption or disherison of
any such person or persons, to whom your highnes shal assigne and dispose
your said imperiall crowne by auctoritie of this acte, as is afoze remembred;
whereby any such issues or heires of your highnes, or such other persō or p-
sons, might be destroyed disturbed or interrupted in same body or title of the
inheritance to the crowne of this realme, as to them is limited in this acte,
in forme aboue rehearsed, or as to them shalbe limited and assigned by your
highnes, by vertue & auctoritie of this acte. Or if any person or persons by
wordes wytinge imprintinge or any other exterior acte directly or indirect-
ly accepte or take, iudge, or beleue any of the marriages had & solempnised
betwene the kinges highnes and the said lady Katharine, or betwene the
kinges highnes and the said late quene Anne, to be good laful or of any
effect. Or by wordes wytinge printinge or any other exterior acte directly or
indirectly, scandaler interrupte empeche gaynsaye or impugne the lawefull
iudgements and sentences of the said most reuerende father in god, Tho-
mas archbishop of Canturbury and primate of all England, for and con-
cerning the deuorces and separations of the saide vnlaful maryages or
any of them. Or by wordes wytinge print or any other exterior acte directly
or indirectly, take, accepte, name, or cal by any pretence any of the children
bozne

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borne and procreated vnder any of the saide vnlaful mariages, to be legitimate and laful children of your maiesty. Or if any person or persons craftely ymagine inuente or attempt by colour of any pretence to deprive the kinges highnes, the queene, or the heires of their bodies begotten, or any other the heires of the kinges body lafully begotten, or any person or persons, to whom the kinges highnes shall dispose giue and limit the crowne of this realme, by auctoritie of this acte, of any of their titles titles names degrees or royal estates or regall power. Or if any person or persons at any time hereafter, being required or commaunded by the kinges highnes, or by such person or persons, as shall be aucthorised by his grace or his lafull heires to make or take an othe, to answer to such questions and interrogatories, as shall be objected to them, vpon any clause, article, sentence or worde, contained in this acte, do contemptuously or vtterly refuse to make or take such oth, or without frustratorie delay do not make or take the same oth: or after the making or taking such oth, do contemptuously refuse directly to answer to such questions and interrogatories, as shall be objected concerninge the same or any part thereof: that then euery such person and persons, of what estate degree or condition so euer he or they be, and their aidours, counsayllours, maynteynours and abettours, and euery of them, for euery such offence afoze declared, shall be adiudged highe traytours. And that euery such offence afoze especified, shall be adiudged high treason, and the offendours therein and their aidours counsayllours mainteinours and abettours, and euery of them beinge lafully convicted of any such offence by presentment verditte confession or processe, according to the custome & lawes of this realme, shall suffre paynes of deathe, as in cases of high treason. And that also euery such offendour, beinge conuicted as is aforesaid, shall lose and forfeite to your highnes, and to your heires or successours kynges or regall rulers of this realme, all such manours landes tenementes rentes annuities and hereditamentes, which they had in possession as owners, or were sole-leased of by or in any right title or meanes, or any other person or persons had to their vse of any estate of enheritance, at the day of such treasons & offences by them committed and done. And shall also lose & forfeite to your highnes and your said heires, as well all maner suche estates of freeholde and interest for yerres of landes and rentes, as all other goodes cattalles & dettes, which they had at the time of their conuiction or atteinder, of any such offence: Saupnge alway to euery such person and persons and bodies politike, to their heires assignes and successours, and to the heires and successours of euery of them (other then such persons as shall be so convicted or atteinted, and their heires and successours, and all other clayminge to their vles) all suche righte, title, vse, interest, possession, condition, rentes, fees, offices, annuities, and commens, which they or any of them shall haue in or vpon any such manours landes tenementes rentes annuities or hereditamentes, that shall so happen to be lost and forfeite by reason of any conuiction or atteynder, for any the treasons & offences aboue rehearsed, at any

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time before the said treasons and offences committed.

Be it also enacted by auctoritie aforesaid, that no person or persons, offending in any the treasons contained and limited by this act, or in any other treasons, shall in any wise have and enjoy the privilege or immunity of any manner sanctuarie within this realme, or els where, within any the kinges dominions: but shall utterly lose, and be excluded of the same: any use, grant, custome, prescription, confirmation, or any other thinge or thinges to the contrary hereof in any wise notwithstanding.

And be it also enacted by auctoritie aforesaid, that if your maiestie shall happen to deceasse before any such your issue and heire male of your body, which should inheritte the crowne of this realme, shall be of his age of .xviii. yeres, or before that suche your issue and heire female, which should inheritte the crowne of this realme, shall be married, or be of the age of .xvi. yeres, whiche almyghty god defend, that than the said issue and heire male to the crowne, so beinge within the age of .xviii. yeres, or your said issue and heire female to the crowne, so beinge unmarried, or within the said age of .xvi. yeres, shall be and remaine, untill suche time as such issues and heyres shall come to their said severall ages afoze limited, at and in the gouernance of their naturall mother, and of suche other your counsaylours and nobles of your realme, as your highnes shall limite and appoynt by your laste will made in wrytynge, sygned with your mooste gracpous hande, yf it shall be thought by your highnes mooste conuenient soo to be: or elles the sayd issues and heyres shall be at and in the gouernance of suche of your counsaylours and nobles of your realme, as your maiestie shall name and appoynt by your last will made in wrytynge, and signed with your most gracpous hande, as is aforesaide. And if any person or persons, by wrytynge, printing, or extorio, debede or act, directly or indirectly, procure or do, or cause to be procured or done, any thinge or thinges, to the lette or distourbance of the same: that than euery such offence shall be high treason, and the offenders beinge therof conuicted, shall suffre such peynes of deathe and losse of inheritauce, privileges of sanctuaries, freeholdes, interestes for yeres, goodes, cattalles, and dettes, in such maner and fourme as is aboue specified in cases of treason afoze mencioned.

And for the moze sure establishment of the successiō of your most royal maiestie, accordinge to the tenour and fourme of this acte, Be it further enacted by auctoritie aforesayde, that as welles all the nobles of your realme spirituall and tempozall, as all other your subiectes now liuing and beinge, or that hereafter shall be at their full ages, by the commaundement of your maiestie, or of your heires or successours, at al times hereafter from time to time whā it shall please your highnes, or your heires or successours to appoynt, shall make a corporall othe in y presence of your highnes, or your heires or successours, or before such other as your maiestie, or your heires or successours will assigne for y same, for the keepinge obseruinge defendinge and mapnteynyng of this acte, and of all thinges that shall be

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done by your highnes by auctoritie therof, accordinge to the tenour of an othe hereafter ensuinge, That is to say: ye shal swere, to beare faith truthe and obedience all onely to the kinges maiestie, supreme heed in erthe vnder god of the churche of Englande, durynge his lyfe, and to his heires of his body of his most dier and entierly beloued laful wife queene Jane, begotten and to be begotten and procreated: And further to the heires of our said soueraigne lord, according to the limitation in the statute made for suretie of his succession in the crown of this realme, in the parliament begonne and holden at Westminster in the. viii. daye of June, in the. xxviii. yere of the kinges most gracious reigne. And also for lacke of such heires, to such person & persons as the kinges highnes shall limitt and appoint to succede to y crown, by vertue & auctoritie of the same act, and not to any other within this realm, nor fozeine auctoritie power or potentate. And in case any other othe be made, or hath be made by you to any person or persons: then ye to repute the same as bayne & adnichilate. And that to your cunninge wytte and vttermooste of your power, without gyle, fraude, or other vnderwe maner, ye shall obserue kepe maynteine and defende the said acte of succession made in the said parliament, begon and holden at Westminster in the said. viii. day of June, in the said. xxviii. yere of the kinges most roiall reigne, and al the holle effectes and contentes therof, and al thinges that shall be done by the kinges highnes by auctoritie of the same, and all other actes and statutes made in confirmation or for executiō of y same, or of any thing therein conteined: and this ye shal do against al maner of persons, of what estate dignitie degree or condition so euer they be: & in no wise do or attempte, nor to your power suffre to be done or attempted directlie or indirectly any thing or thinges priuily or appertely, to the lett hinderaunce damage or derogation therof, or of any parte of the same, or of any thyng or thinges, that shal be done by the kinges highnesse, by vertue or auctoritie of the said act, by any maner of meanes, or for any maner of pretence, so helpe you god, al saintes, and the holy Euangelists.

And it is also enacted by auctoritie afoze saide, that all maner your subiectes, as well spirytual as temporall, supnge lyuerie, or ouster le mayne, out of the handes of your highnesse, or of your heires or successours, or doynge any feyltie to your highnesse, or to your heires or successours, by reason of tenure of theyr landes, shall swere the said corporall Othe aboue incyoned. And that they nor any of theym, shall here after haue any lyuerie, ouster le mayne, or restitution out of your handes, nor out of the handes of your heires or successours, tyll they shall haue made the said corporall Othe, in fourtme aboue reherfed. And if any person or persons, beyng commaundered by auctoryte of this acte, to make the sayde Othe afoze lympted, obstynately or wylfullye refuse that to doo, or wyl proteste and say e, whan they shall be examyned vpon any interrogatores, that shal be objected to theym, for or concernynge this acte, or any thyng therein conteined

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meined, that they be not bounde to declare their thought and conscience, and
 offely theron abyde: that then every suche personne soo doyng, for every
 suche offence shall be taken and accepted for offendour in hyghe treason.
 And that every suche refusell shall be demed and adiudged highe treason,
 and the offendour therein, beinge as afoze is limited, lawefulye convicted
 or attainted therof, by the lawes of this realme, shall suffre suche pynes of
 death losses and forfaitures, and also lose privileges of saintuaries, in like
 maner and fourme as is above mentioned, for the treasons afoze limited
 by this acte.

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And be it further enacted by auctoritie of this present parliamente, that
 it shall please the kynges maiestie at any tyme here after, by his letters
 patentes vnder his grete seale, or by his laste wyll made in wytyng, and
 signed with his most gracious hande, to auance any person or persons of
 his most royall bloud to any title style or name, of any estate dignitie or ho-
 nour, what so euer it be, and to gyue to them or to any of them any castelles
 honours manours landes tenementes libertties franchises, or other heredita-
 mentes, in fee simple fee taylor or for terme of theyr lyues, or of life of any of
 them: that then al and every such letters patentes and last wyl of his high-
 nes, so to be made to any such person or persones of his blode, shall be good
 and effectuell to them and euery of theim, according to the tenour purpo-
 ses and effectes of euery such letters patentes and laste will. And that the
 said persone and persones, and euery of them, shall haue and enioy as well
 all suche titles style and names of honour dignitie and estate, whiche shall
 be conteyned, and expresse in any such letters patentes or laste wyl of the
 kynges hyghnes, as suche castelles honours manours landes tenementes
 libertties franchises, and all other hereditamentes, whiche shall be specify-
 ed and mencyoned in euery such letters patentes or laste will in such maner
 fourme fation and condicion, and according to such estate or estates in the
 lawe, as shall be expresse and limited in euery suche letters patentes or laste
 wyl, in as large and ample maner, to all intentes and purposes, as if the
 titles stiles and names of honour dignitie and estate, and the castelles ho-
 nours manours landes tenementes libertties franchises and other heredi-
 tamentes, whiche shall be compysed in any such letters patentes or laste
 wyl to be made, were all redye yeu en by good & sufficient letters patentes
 to suche personne or persons, of the kynges blode by theyr speciall names
 and surnames, and ratyfied and confyrmed by auctoritie of this presente
 parliamete. Or as if the names of suche personne and personnes, soo be-
 long of the kynges bloudde, and such titles stiles names castelles honours
 manours landes tenementes libertties franchises or other hereditamen-
 tes, hadde ben specyally named and expresse in this acte, and gyuen to su-
 che person and personnes of the kynges blode by theyr propre names and
 surnames, by sufficient wordes termes clauses & sentences, immediatly by
 auctoritie of this present parliament. Sauinge to al and euery person and
 persons and bodyes politike, and to theyr heires assignes and successours

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other than to the kinges highnes, his heyyes or succellours, al such ryghte title interest possession rentes annuities fees offices comens ryghtes interestes petitions condicions, & all other hereditamentes, which they or any of them may or mought claime of in or to any the said titles stiles names, castelles honours manours landes teneimentes libertties franchises and other hereditamentes conteyned or mentioned in any suche letters patentes or lase wyll, in as large and ample maner, as if this acte hadde neuer be had nor made.

CANON BE it fynally enacted by auctorite afoze said, that this presente acte, and euery clause article and sentence comprised in the same shal be taken, and accepted, according to the plaine wordes and sentences therein conteined, and shall not be interpreted nor expounded by colour of any pretence or cause, or by any subtil argumentes inuentions or reasons, to the hynderance disturbance or derogation of this act, or any part therof: Any thing or thinges acte or actes of parlyament here to fore made, or here after to be had done or made to the contrary therof not withstanding. And that euery acte statute lawe prouision thinge and thinges heretofore had or made, or here after to be hadde done or made, contrary to the effecte of this statute, shall be voyde and of no value nor force.

CAn acte for continuance of the statutes againste the carpage of brasse latten and copert out of this realme, And for making of cables and ropes: for the wyndynge of wolles, & agaynst kyllynge of weynelnynges vnder the age of two yerres. Cap. viii.



Brasse, latten
and copper.

Cables, hal-
lers ropes.
wynding of
wolles.

Kyllynge of
weynelnynges.

Here in the lasse parlyamente begonne and holden at London the thyrde dape of Nouember, in the .xxi. yere of the kinges most gracious reigne, & frome thens adioyned to Westminster, and there holden and continued by diuers prouocations, vntyl the dissolution therof, it was ordeined and established amongst other thinges one acte for restrayning the carpages of brasse, latten, and copert out of this realme: And also one other acte was made in this parliament for the tretwe makinge of cables hallyers and ropes: One other acte for the tretwe windinge of wolles: and one other act to restraine killing of weynelnynges bullockes steres or hester, being vnder the age of two yerres. All whiche foure seuerall actes were made to continue and endure to the nexte parliament, as by the said actes moze plainly appereth. For as moch as the said seuerall actes, and euery of them, be necessary for the common welth of this realm, be it therfore enacted by auctorite of this presente parliament, that the said foure seuerall actes, and all clauses articles and prouisions therein conteyned, shall from henceforth be and stande good and effectuell, and to endure and contynue vntill the lasse dape of the nexte parlyament,

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An act for continuance of the statutes of perjurie, for making of sayles, for pewterers, and for sowynge of flaxe and hempe. Cap. ix.

Where in the parliament begonne and holden at London the thirde day of Nouembre, & from thence adiourned to Westminster, and there holden and continued by prorogatio vnto the xv. day of Januarie, in the. xxiii. yere of the reigne of our moste dreadde soueraigne lord kynge Henry the viii. it was then in that sessiō of the said parliament one act made and established for the atteintes to be sued for punisshemēt of perjurie by perjurye verdictes, which acte was then made to endure to the last daye of the nexte parliament. And where also in the saide session of the said parliament one acte was made and established, for making of sayles in diuers shires of this realme, whiche acte was then made to continue and endure for one yere nexte after the ende of the same parliament. And where also in the time of the same parliament, one other acte was made concerning pewterers, which acte was also made to endure to the last day of the next parliament. And also in the time of the said parliament one other acte was made concerning sowynge of flaxe and hempe, which acte also was made to continue and endure to the last day of the nexte parliament, as by the said foure severall actes moze plainly appereth. For as moch as the said foure actes be good and beneficiall for the common welth of this realme, be it therfore enacted by auctoritie of this presente parliament, that the said foure actes, and euery of them, and al clauses articles and prouisiōs therein contened, shall stande continue and endure in theyr force and strengthe, and be observed and kepte to the lasse day of the nexte parliamente.

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Scribary.
Japle.

Pewterers;

Flax and
hempe.

An acte extinguishting the auctoritie of the bishop of Rome. Ca. x.

For as moch as not withstanding the good & hollesome lawes ordinaunces and statutes heretofore made enacted & established by the kinges highnes our moste gracious soueraigne lord, and by the hole consent of his high courte of parliament for the extirpation abolution and extinguishtment out of this realme, & other his graces dominions seignories and countreis, of the pretended power and vsurped auctoritie of the bishop of Rome, by some called the pope, vsed within the same or elles where, concerninge the same realme dominions seignories or countreis, which dyd obfuscate and bypasse goddes holy woꝛde and testament a longe season from the spiritual and trewe meanynge therof, to his woꝛldelye and carnall affectyōs, as pompe, gloꝛye, auaryce, ambytion, and tyzannye, couerynge and shadowynge the same, with his humayne and polytike deuises, traditions, and inventions, sette forth to promote and stablyshe his onelye domynion, bothe vpon the sowles and also the bodyes and goodes of all Christyan people

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Rome.

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excluding Christ out of his kingedome and rule of man his soule, as much as he may, and all other temporall kinges and princes out of theyr dominions, which they ought to haue by goddis lawe, vppon the bodies and goodes of theyr subiectes: wherby he dyd not onely robbe the kinges maiestie, being onely the supreme head of this his realme of Englad immediately vnder god, of his honour, righte, and preeminence, due vnto hym by the lawe of god, but spoiled this his realme perely of innumerable treasure, & with the losse of the same, deceiued the kinges louing & obedient subiectes, perswadinge to them by his lawes, bulles, and other his deceivable meanes, suche dreames, vanities, and fantasies, as by the same many of them were seduced and conueied vnto superstitious and erronious opinions: so that the kynges maiestie, the lordes spirituall and temporall, and the commons in this realme being ouerwreted and fatigated, with the experience of the infinite abominations and mischefes proceedinge of his impostures, & craftilie colouring of his deceites, to the great damages of soules bodies and goodes, were forced of necessitie for the publique weale of this realme, to exclude that forein pretended power iurisdiction and auctoritie, which was vsurped within this realme, and to deuise such remedies for theyr reliefe in the same, as doth not onely redounde to the honour of god, the highe praise and aduancemēt of the kinges maiestie, and of his realme, but also to the great and inestimable vtilitie of the same. And not withstandinge the said holosome lawes so made, and heretofore establisshed, yet it is comen to the knowlege of the kinges highnes, and also to diuers and many his louing faithfull and obedient subiectes, howe that diuers sedicious and contentious persones, being impes of the saide bishoppe of Rome and his see, and in harte, membes of his pretended monarchy, do in corners & elles where, as they dare, whisper inculke preache and perswade, and from time to time instill in to the eares and heades of the poore simple and vnlettered people, the aduancement and continuaunce of the saide bishoppes feined and pretended auctoritie, pretending the same to haue his grounde and original of goddes law, wherby the opinions of many, be suspended, theyr iugementes corrupted & deceiued, and diuersitie in opinions augmented & encreased, to the great displeasure of almighty god, the high discontentation of our said most dyed souerain lord, and the interruption of the vnitie loue charite concord and agremēt, that ought to be in a christen region and congregation. For auoydyinge wherof and repression of the folyes of suche sedicious persones, as be the meanes and authoers of such inconueniencies, Be it enacted ordeyned and establisshed by the kinge our soueraigne lord, and the lordes spirituall and temporall, and the commons in this presente parliament assembled, and by thaurtoritie of the same, that if any persō or persons, dwelling demurring inhabiting or resiant within this realme, or within any other the kinges dominions seignouries or countreys, or the marches of the same, or els where within or vnder his obeissance and power of what estate dygnitie preeminence or detre or condition so euer he or they be, after

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the day of July, which shal be in the yere of our lord god. M. D. xxi. bi. shal
makynge censing pryncing oꝝ tetching, dede oꝝ acte obstinately oꝝ
unlawfully holde oꝝ stand with, to extoll setfoꝝth maynteyne oꝝ defend the
jurisdiction oꝝ power of the bisshop of Rome, oꝝ of his see, hereto
before used oꝝ vsurped within this realme oꝝ in any dominion oꝝ coun-
tye of within oꝝ vnder the kynges power oꝝ obeyssaunce, oꝝ by any
maner obstinately oꝝ maliciouly inuent any thinge foꝝ the extolling a-
gainst setting foꝝth mainenance oꝝ defence of the same, oꝝ any part
therof, oꝝ by any pretence obstinately oꝝ maliciouly attribute any maner
of jurisdiction auctoritie oꝝ preeminence to the said see of Rome, oꝝ to a-
ny bisshop of the same see foꝝ the time beyng, within this realme oꝝ in any the
kinges dominions oꝝ countreys: that then euery such person oꝝ persones
so offendinge, their aydoers, assistentes, comforters, abettours,
counsaillours, fauours, counsaillours, concealours, and euery of
them being therof lawfully conuicted, according to the lawes of this realme,
for every such defaulte and offence shal incurte and runne in to the daun-
gerous penalties peines and forfeitures oꝝ depnyed and pꝛouided by the statute
of pꝛouisiõ and pꝛemunire, made in the. xvi. yere of the reigne of the noble &
valiant prince king Richarde the seconde, ayenst suche as attempte pꝛo-
uise oꝝ make pꝛouisiõ to the see of Rome oꝝ els where, foꝝ any thinge oꝝ thin-
ge to the derogation oꝝ contrary to the pꝛerogatiue royall oꝝ jurisdiction
of the crowne and dignitie of this realme.

And to the entente that this acte at all tymes may be wel and trewly ex-
ecuted, and the offendours therof haue and receyue condigne punishment
according to their demerites, It is enacted by the auctoritie afoꝝe sayde,
that as well iustices of assise in their circuites, as iustices of peace within
the limittes of their commission and auctorities, oꝝ two of euery such iusti-
ces of peace at the least, wherof one to be of the quorum, shal haue ful po-
wer and auctoritie to enquire of all offences contemptes & transgressions,
perpetrated committed oꝝ doone contrary to this acte, in like maner and
forme as they may of other offences ayenst the kinges peace: And shal
certifie euery presentment afoꝝe them oꝝ any of them had oꝝ made, concer-
nyng this acte oꝝ any parte therof, befoꝝe the kinge in his benche, within
x. dayes nexte after any such presentment had oꝝ made, if the terme be then
open: And if not, thanne at the firste day of the terme, nexte folowynge the
saide. x. dayes, vpon peyn that euery of the iusticiars of assise, oꝝ iusticiars
of peace, befoꝝe whom such presentment shal be made, makynge defaulte
of such certificacõ contrary to this statute, to lose and forfeite foꝝty poundes
to the kynges highnes.

And it is enacted by the auctoritie afoꝝe sayde, that the Justiciars of the
kinges bench, as well vpon euery such certificacõ as by enquiry befoꝝe them
selves within the limittes of their auctorities, shal haue ful power and aucto-
ritie to here oꝝ de and determine euery such offence, done oꝝ commytted con-
trary this acte, accordyng to the lawes of this realme, in suche like maner
and

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and fourme to all intentes and purposes, as if the person or persons, upon whom any presentment shalbe had upon this estatute, had be presented upon any mater or offence expessed in the said estatute, made in the said yere of king Richarde the seconde.

Accusations. And it is also enacted by the auctoritie afoze said, that al and every archbischoppes bischops and archdeacons within this realme, their commissaries, vicars generall, and other their ministers, in every their visitation seanes, shall make diligent inscarche, enquerie, and examination of al every ecclesiasticall and religious personne within and of their iurisdiction, which shalbe suspected accused or demed to be a transgressour or offenders of this acte. And if upon such serche enquirie and examination any ecclesiasticall or religious persons shall be presented suspected accused, or founde culpable by witnes or confession, of any offence contrary to this acte, and be presente at the time of such presentment examination or accusation: that then every the archbischoppes bischoppes and archdeacons, their commissaries, vicars general, and other their ministers, afoze or to whom any such personne shalbe presented suspected accused or founde culpable (as is afoze saide) shall committe every suche persone so presented suspected accused or founde culpable, if he be presente (as is afoze said) to the next common iale of the shyre, where such enquirie examination or accusation shalbe had or made, or elles by good & sufficient surties, to be bounden by obligation to the kinges vse, shall lette every such personne to bayle by their discretions, to appere befoze the kinge and his counsaile in the sterre chaumbre at westmynster, within .xv. dayes nexte after suche enquirie presentment or accusation, if the terme be then open and kepte, or elles in the first day of the terme nexte folowynge after the same enquerie presentment or accusation. And at the same day lyMITTED for such apparaunce, they shall certifie in to the saide sterre chamber by wytinge vnder their seales, as well the saide bonde and obligation taken for such apparance, as the presentment examination accusation or conviction of every such personne, and all depolytions and circumstances therof, and the name of the iayle, where vnto they have committed the saide personne. And if any suche ecclesiasticall or religious personne, beinge presented suspected or accused in any seane or visitation, be not present at the tyme of the said seane or visitation, as is afoze said, that then neuer the lesse every the said archbischoppes bischoppes and archdeacons, their commissaries, vicars generall, and all other their ministers, afoze or to whom any suche presentment suspicion or accusation shalbe had or made, shall certifie every such presentment suspicion and accusation, and al circumstance therof (as is afoze said) in to the sterre chaumbre at westmynster, within .xv. dayes nexte after suche presentment suspicion or accusation had or made, or in the first day of the terme next folowynge after such presentment suspicion or accusation, in such maner & fourme as is afoze reherced. And in case any ecclesiasticall or religious person, being presented suspected or accused of any offence done or attempted contrary to this estatute, be therof

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by confession or witness before any archbishoppe bishop or arch-
dean, or before any the commissaries, bycars general, or other their mini-
sters in their leanes or visitations, or before the kynges counsaile in the
Chawmbze at westminster: that then every such spirituall and religi-
ous person, so being convicted, shal suffer suche paynes penalties and forsa-
ke as be expressed in the said statute made in the saide, xvi. yere of kinge
the seconde.

It is also enacted by the auctoritie afoze saide, that if any ecclesiasticall
person, or visitatour, do voluntarily concele cloke hyde or colour any present-
ment or accusation or confession, that shalbe made to hym concerning this sta-
tute, and do not certifie every such accusation presentment or confession be-
fore the kinge and his counsaile in the sterred chawmbze at westminster, in
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very such default shal forsaite. xl. li. the one halfe therof to the kinges high-
nes, the other halfe to such person as will sue for the same by original wyte
or plainte or information in any of the kinges courtes, in whiche suite no
dower protection or wager of lawe shall be admitted nor allowed.

AND FOR stronger defence and mainteynauce of this acte, it is or-
dained and enacted by auctoritie afoze saide, that all and every ecclesiasti-
cal iudge, ordynary, chauncellour, commissarye, offycyall, bycar general,
or other ecclesiasticall officer or minister, of what dignitie preeminence or
honor soo ever they shall be. And all and every tempoꝝall iudge, iusticiar,
mayor, bayliffe, shereffe, under shereue, eschetour, alderman, iurate, consta-
ble, hundredowe, Chyrbowow, bowolder, and every other laye officer and
minister, to be made created elected or admitted within this realme: or any
other the kinges domynions, of what estate orde degree or condition so e-
ver he shalbe, from and after the saide last daye of July, shal before he take
upon him the execution of suche office, make take and recepue a copoꝝall
othe upon the Euangelystes, before such person or persones, as haue or shal
have auctoritie to admit him, that he from henceforth shall utterly renounce
refuse relinquishe or forsake the bishop of Rome, and his auctoritie power
and iurisdiction: And that he shal neuer consent nor agree, that the bishop
of Rome shal practise exercise or haue any maner of auctoritie iurisdiction or
power within this realme, or any other the kinges dominions, but that he
shall resist the same at all times to the utter mooste of his power. And that
from henceforth he shall accepte repute and take the kynges maiestie to be
the onely supreme hedde in erthe of the church of England. And that to his
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undow means, he shall obserue kepe maynteyne and defende the holle effec-
tes and contentes of all and synguler actes and statutes made & to be made
within this realme, in derogation extirpation and extynguyshement of the
bishoppe of Rome and his auctoritie. And al other actes and statutes made
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preme hede in earth of the church of Englande : and this he shall do apenly all maner of personnes, of what estate dignitie degree or condition they be, and in no wise do nor attempt, nor to his power suffer to be done or attempted directly or indirectly any thing or thinges pꝛiuely or apartyly, to the let hinderance damage or derogation therof, or of any part therof, by any maner of meanes, or for any maner of pꝛetence. And in case any oth be made or hath bene made by him to any person or personnes in maynteynauce defence or fauour of the bisshoppe of Rome or his auctozitie iurisdiction or power, he repute the same as vayne and adnichilate, so helpe him god all saintes and the holy Euangeliste.

¶ And it is also enacted by the auctozitie afoze saide, that all and euery personne and personnes spirituall and tempozall, supꝛyng lyuere restitutions or vtter le mayne out of the kinge, his heires, or successours handes, or doynge any fealtie to his highnes his heires or successours, or whiche shall be swoyne to the king his heires or successours, or that shall haue any office fee or rounge of the moſte gracious gifte of the kinges maiestie, his heires or successours, or shall be reternyed in seruice with his grace his heires or successours, shall make take and receyue the saide othe. And that also all and euery religious personne, at the time of his or their pꝛofession or entree into religion, and euery other ecclesiasticall personne at the time of his takinge of orders, and all and euery other personne, which shall be promoted or preferred to any degree of le rnyng in any vniuersitie within this realme or other the kinges dominions at the time of his promotion or preferment, and euery of them, shall make take and receiue the saide othe before his or their soueraigne, ordinary, or the commissarie of such vniuersitie.

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¶ AND IT IS ALSO enacted by the auctozitie afoze saide, that if any personne or personnes, lyꝛmitted or commaunded by auctozitie of this act to make the saide othe, or commaunded by any other personne or personnes, auctozised by the kinges highnesse commission vnder his greate scale, or his scale ordeined for causes ecclesiasticall, to make the said othe, obstinately refuse that to do : that then euery such offence and contempt shall be high treason, and the offenders therof being laufully conuicted, shall suffre penalties of death and other forsaftures penalties and losses, as is limited and accustomed in cases of high treason by any lawes or statutes of this realme heretofore made.

Ceremonies.

¶ PROVIDED alwayes and be it enacted, that this acte nor any thing or thinges in the same rehersed mentioned or comprised, be in any wise pꝛiudicial hurtefull or derogatorie to the ceremonies vses and other laudable and politike ordinaunces, for a tranquillitie, discipline, concord, deuotion, vnitie, and decent orde heretofore in the church of Englande vsed instituted taken and accepted, nor to any person or persons accordingly vsing the same or any of them.

¶ PROVIDED alway and be it enacted by auctozitie of this presente parliamente, that this acte, concernynge the byshoppe of Rome or any thyng to be

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done by his usurped auctoritie, shall no further bynde nor extende to
 upon the kinges subiectes of his yle of Jersey, Gernesey, and Alder-
 in any other maner fourme or condition, than it shall please the kinges
 highnesse, with the aduise of his mooste honourable counsaile, vppon con-
 sideration and examination of the state and disposition of his saide Iles,
 and the common welthe of the same hereafter to establishe, ordeyne, and de-
 claue vnto them by his gracious letters patentes, vnder his great seale: And
 that the said letters patentes and euery thinge therein shal be conteyned, shall
 be of the same effecte, strengthe, and vertue, as if they had bene passed and
 enacted by auctoritie of parliament, any thinge in the said acte conteyned to
 the contrary in any wise notwithstandinge.

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 to the next Incumbent. Cap. xi.



As moch as in the statute of the payement vnto the kin-
 ges maiestie, his heires and successours, of the first frutes
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 within this realme, and other the kinges dominions, expres
 mention and declaratio is not had ne made, from what time
 the yere shall be accompted, in which the first frutes shall
 be due and payable to his highnes, that is to witte, whether immediatly
 from the dethe resignation or depriuation of euery incumbente, or from the
 time of admission or newetakinge of possession in euery suche promotion.
 And also by reason that in the same statute it is not declared, who shal haue
 the frutes tithes and other profittes of the saide benefices offices promo-
 tions and dignities spirituall, durynge the time of vacation thereof, dy-
 vers of tharchebishoppes and bishoppes of this realme, haue not onely
 when the time of perceiuyng and takinge of tithes, (that is to saie, wolfe,
 lambe, coyne, and hape, and tithes vsuallye payde at the holpe tyme of Ea-
 ster) hath approached, differred the collation of suche benefices, as haue ben
 of their owne patronage, but also haue vpon presentations of clerkes made
 vnto them by the iuste patrones, protracted and deferred, to institute, in-
 duite, and admitte the same clerkes, to the entente that they myghte haue
 and perceyue to theyr owne vse, the same tythes growinge, durynge the
 vacation: Soo that throughth such delayes (ouer and aboue the firste fruy-
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 ned also to lose all, or the mooste part of one yeres profittes of their benefices
 and promotions, and to serue the cure at their and their frendes propre co-
 stes and charges, or utterly to forsake and giue ouer their benefices & pro-
 motions, to theyr greatt losse and hynderaunce. For reformation wherof,
 it is ordeyned and enacted by the kinge oure soueraigne lord, with the as-
 sente of the lordes spirituall and tempozalle, and the commons in this pre-
 sent parliament assembled, and by the auctoritie of the same, that the sayde
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pere, in whiche the firste fruites shall be payde to the kinges grace, shall beginne and be accompted immediately after the auopdaunce or vacation of any such benefice or promotion spirituall afoze reherfed. And that the tithes, fruites, oblations, obuentions, emolumentes, commodities, aduantages, rentes, and all other what so euer reuenues, casualties, or profittes certayne and vncertayne, affering or belonging to any archdeaconry, deanry, prebende, personage, vicarage, hospitall, wardenshippe, prouostshippe, or other spirituall promotion, benefice, dignitie, or office (chauntries onely excepte) within this realme, or other the kynes dominions, growinge, tylinge, or comminge, durynge the time of vacation of the same promotion spirituall, shall belonge and affere to such personne, as shall be therunto next presented, promoted, instituted, inducted, or admitted, and to his executours, towarde the payment of the firste fruites, to the kinges highnes, his heires and successours: Any vblage, custome, libertie, priuilege, or prescription to the contrary had vsed or beinge in any wise notwithstandinge.

CAND IT IS also enacted by chauctozitie aforesaid, that if any archbishoppe, bishoppe, archdeacon, or dynary, or any other personne or persones, to their vbles and behoofe, at any tyme heretofore sythe the firste daye of May laste paste, haue percepued, receiued, or taken, or at any time hereafter do percepue, recepue, or take the fruites, tythes, obuentions, oblations, emolumentes, commodities, reuenues, rentes, aduantages, profittes, or casualties, commynge, growinge, or belongynge, or whiche hereafter shall comme growe affere or belonge to any archdeaconrye, deanry, prebende, personage, vicarage, hospitall, wardenshippe, prouostshippe, or other spirituall promotion, benefyce, dignitie, or office (chauntries onely excepted) within this realme or other the kinges dominions, durynge the vacation of suche archdeaconrye, deanry prebende, personage, vicarage, hospitall, wardenshippe, prouostshippe, or other spirituall promotion, benefice, dignitie, or office (chauntries onely excepted) And the same bypon reasonable requeste from hensforth to be made, doth not render, restor, satisfie, contente, and paye to the nexte Incumbent, beyng lafullye instituted, inducted, or admitted to suche archdeaconrye, deanry, prebende, personage, or vicarage, or other promotion, benefice, dignitie, or office spirituall, excepte befoze excepted: or do let or interrupte the saide Incumbente to haue the same: that then euery archbishop, bishoppe, archdeacon, or dynarie, or other person so doinge, shall forfait and lose the treble value of so much as he shall then haue recepued of the fruites of euery prebend, personage, vicarage, hospitall, wardenshippe, prouostshippe, or other spirituall promotion, wherof he so shall percepue, recepue, or deteyne, lette, or interrupte the Incumbent, to percepue, recepue, and haue the fruites, tythes, obuentions, oblations, emolumentes, commodities, reuenues, rentes, aduantages, profittes, or casualties: The moytie of whiche forfayture shall be to the kinge our soueraigne lord, and the other moytie therof to the Incumbent

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of the same prebende, personage, or vicarage, or other spirituall promotion, to be recovered in any of the kinges courtes by action, bylle, or information, or other wyse, in which action or suite the defendante shall not be admitted to wage his lawe, nor any protection or essoine shall be allowed.

Provided alway, that it shall be lesfull to every archbishop, bishop, archdeacon, and ordinary, their officers and ministers, to retene in his or their manor, so moche of the tithes, frutes, obventions, oblations, emoluments, commodities, advauntages, rentes, revenues, casualties, and profits, as shall amount to pay vnto such person or persons, as hath or shall serue the cure of suche archdeaconry, deanry, prebende, personage, or vicarage, or other spirituall promotion, duringe the vacation, his or their reasonable appende, or salarie. And also for the collection gathering and leuying of such tythes, frutes, emolumentes, rentes, and other profittes, rynges and growing duringe the vacation aforesaid: any thing in this acte contrary to the contrary in any wyse notwithstanding.

Provided also, and be it further enacted by the auctoritie aforesaid, that in case any of the incumbentes aforesaid, happen to dye, and before his death hath caused any of his glebe landes to be manured and sown at his owne costes and charges with any cozne or grayne: that then in that case he and every of the same incumbentes may make and declare theyr testaments of all the profittes of the cozne, growynge vpon the same glebe landes so manured and sown: Any thyng conteyned in this presente acte in any wise notwithstanding.

And where also before this tyme diuers and manye personnes, vicars, and other spirituall personnes, beyng sealed, for terme of their lyues, or within the saide spirituall promotions afoze named, as well for greatesummes of money to them before hande payde, as for other causes and considerations, haue let in ferme for terme of yeres, by sufficient wytinges, their saide personages, vicarages, and other spirituall promotions, or part thereof, vnto dyuers and many of the kynges subiectes, and after such leases by them so made, the leassours thereof haue often tymes bled to resigne their saide benefices or spirituall promotyons, so demysed and letten in ferme: by reason of whiche resignation and other the actes of the said leassours, the saide benefices and other spirituall promotions haue ben boide, and the title and interestes of the said leasses, hath bene thereby aduynchylate, and of none effecte in the lawe, contrary to ryght and good conscience, for reformation wherof, and for a quietnesse the better hereafter to be had and continued betwene the kinges subiectes. Be it enacted by auctoritie of this presente parliament, that from the foresaide firste daye of Maye laste past, no maner of suche lease, by sufficient wytinge heretofore made, nor hereafter to be made by any spiritual personne within this realme of Englands, Wales, or the marches of the same, to any lay personne, of any personage, vicarage, or other spirituall promotion aforesaid within this realme

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Upon which lease the rent and seruices reserved, with other the perly charges of the lease, as in seruyng the cure and otherwyle, shall amounte within fortye shillings by the pere, of as moche as the saide personage, by vicarage, or other spirituall promotion aforesaide, so letten, is rated and baled at, upon the kynges booke, for payinge the firste frutes, shall be aduanced byde adnichilate or determyned, by reason of any suche resignation or other auoydance of the sayd benefice or spirituall promotion so letten by the onely acte of the saide leassour, but that every such lessee or grantee of any such benefices or spirituall promotions aforesayde, their executors or assignes, shall haue and may enioye their termes and interestes of and in the same, for y^e terme of xye yeres to be accompted next and immediately after the saide auoydance, yf the saide leassour doo so long lyue, and the lease so by him befoze made, do so longe contynue and indure. And that after such auoydaunce, the successour or successours of every suche leassour, shall and may distreyn for the rent and seruices so reserved, and haue their actions of dette and all other aduantages by way of action entre or otherwyle, agaynst the saide lessee, his executors, or assignes, for recouerie of the saide rent and couenauntes bypon the said lease reserved, as the lessours therof myghte haue had, if no suche auoydance had ben had.

¶ And further be it enacted by the auctoritie afoze saide, that if hereafter it happen any such lessour to deceasse and dye befoze the ende of the terme by hym so made, and that there be one yere at leaste to come of the sayde terme: that then it shall be lawefull to the lessee therof, his executors or assignes, to holde and enioy their said lease to the end of the same yere, wher in he is so entered at the time of his saide lessours death, if his saide lease do so longe continewe, bearynge and payenge vnto the successour of every suche lessour, all such rent and seruices, as for the remenaunte of the sayde yere, shall vpon every suche lease be dewe: for the recouerie wherof the saide successour shall and maye haue all suche waies and aduantages as befoze is limited and gguen to the successour, where his predecessour maketh suche lease and resygneth.

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¶ Provided alway, that every successour after the deth of his predecessour maye and shall haue vpon one monethes warnynge after the time of his induction, the mancyon house of every such personage, vicarage, or other spirituall promotion aforesaide, with the glebe belonging to the same not beinge sowen at the time of his said predecessours death, for mayntenaunce of his householde, deductinge therfoze in his rent as heretofore hath ben bozne for the same, or as it is reasonably woorth: any thinge in this said act conteyned to the contrary notwithstandinge.

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¶ Provided alway, that yf the frutes of the vacation of the saide spirituall promotions be not sufficient to pay the curates stypende and wages for seruyng the cure the vacation time, that then the same to be bozne and paid by the nexte incumbent within .xliii. dayes nexte after that he hath the possession of any of the saide promotions spirituall.

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**In acte declarynge the lymittes of the kynges palayce
of westmynster. Cap. xii.**



FOR AS MOCHE AS THE KYNGES palayce at Westmynster, buylded and edyfied there, befoze the tyme of mynde, by and nygh vnto the monasterie, and abbey of saynt Peter of Westmynster, in the countie of Myddelsex, is and of longe tyme hath ben in better ruyne and decaye. And that our moste dyaad souerayne lord kyng HENRY the eight, of Englande and of Fraunce, defendour of the Faythe, lord of Ire- land, and Supreme head in erthe of the Churche of Englande, hath late- ly purchased and pourchased one great mansion place and house, sometime parcel of the possessions and inheritance of the Archebischopriche of yorke, situate and beinge in the towne of westmynster, in the same countie, not much distaunte from the same auntyent Palayce. And the kynges highnes hath late vpon the soyle of the said mansion place, and house, and vpon the grounde therevnto adioynninge, moste sumptuously and curiously hath builded and edified many and distincte beautifulle costely and ple- asante lodgynges, buyldynges, and mansyons, for his gracye syngular pleasure, comfozte, and commodytie, to the greatte honour of his hyghnes and of his realme, and thereunto adioynninge hath made a Parke, walled and enuyronned with byrke and stone, and therein hath deuyled and ordey- ned many and syngular commodious thynges, pleasures, and other ne- cessaries, most apte and conuenient to appertayne only to so noble a prince, for his syngular comfozte, pastime, and solace: Be it therfoze enacted by the auctoritie of this present parliament, that all the saide soyle grounde man- sion and buyldynges, and the sayde parke, with all other thynges commo- dities and platures thervpon made buylded and deuyled, as is aforesaid, and also the soyle of the said auntyent palayce, shalbe from henceforth þe kynges hole palayce at Westmynster, and so to be taken demed reputed called & named the kynges palayce at westmynster for ever. And that þe same palayce shall from henceforth extende and be as well within the soyle and places a- fore limited and appoynted for the same, as also in all the strete or waye le- dyng from Chatinge Crosse, vnto the seintuarie gate at westmynster afore said, and in all the houses buyldynges landes and tenementes on both the sides of the same strete or way, from the said Crosse vnto westmynster halle, situate lynging or being betwene the water of the Thames of the eastre part, and the saide parke walle of the westre parte, and so forth throughe all the soyle precincte and lymittes of the saide olde palays.

AND THAT the saide palayce nowe made by the auctoritie of this acte, shal from henceforth haue and enioy within the precincte, lymittes, and boundes befoze expessed and declared of and for the same, al such and like prerogatyues, lyberties, preemynences, iurisdictiones, and pryncples, as to the kynges auntyente palayce within this realme, haue at any tyme here-

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tofoze belonged bled oꝝ of right appertained. And that the same olde and auncient palace of westminster from henceforth be reputed demed and taken only as a mebye & parcel of the said newe palaice, made by this act, as is aforesaid: any pꝛescription recoꝝde oꝝ blage heretofore had vsed oꝝ allowed to the contrary notwithstanding. Sauinge to al and singular person and persons, bodieꝝ polyke and coꝝpoꝝate, theyꝝ heꝛes and successours, and euery of them, al such right title interest possession rentes reuertion remaindꝛe distresse actiõ lease leases graũtes annuities suites petitions and conditiõs in such maner and fourme as they oꝝ any of them, theiꝝ heiꝛes and successours, oꝝ the heiꝛes and successours of any of them, haue had, shulde myghte, oꝝ ought to haue had in the pꝛemysseꝝ oꝝ any parcell therof, if this acte had neuer ben had ne made: any thyng in this acte conteyned to the contrary not withstandynge.

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Residence.

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penalties as be conteyned in the saide former acte, made and apointed for such beneficed persons for theyr none residence. And that none of the saide beneficed persons, beinge aboue the age aforesaid, except before except, shall from henceforth be excused of theyr none residence vpon the saide benefices, for that they be studentes or resiaunt within the said vniuersities or any of them, any prouiso, or any other clause or sentence specyfyed or conteyned in the said former acte of none residence, or any other thinge or thinges to the contrary heresof in any wyse not withstandinge.

¶ And vnder this be it enacted by thautozittie before said, that al and singular such beneficed persons beinge vnder the age of .xl. yerres, resiaunte and abidinge within the said vniuersities, or any of them, shall not enioye the priuilege & libertie of none residence conteined in the prouiso of þ said former act, made for the scholars & studentes of the said vniuersities or any of the, onlesse he or they be presente at the ordinary lecture and lectures, as well at home in theyr houses as in the comon schole or scholes, and in theyr propre persons kepe sophemes, problemes, disputatiōs, and other exercises of learninge, and be apponente and respondent in the same, according to the ordynances and statutes of epyther of the said vniuersities, where he or they shall be so abydinge or resiaunt, any thynge conteyned in the said prouiso or former acte to the contrary not withstandinge.

¶ Prouided alway that this acte shall begynne to take effecte at the feaste of saynct Michel tharchaungell nexte comynge, and not before.

Readers of
Publique,
Lectures.

¶ Prouided alway, that this acte, nor any thinge therein conteyned, shall extend to any person or persons, which now is or hereafter shall be readers of any publique or common lecture in diuynitie, lawe cyuile, physike, philosophie, humanitie, or of any of the lyberall sciences, or publyke or comon interpretours, or techers of the Hebrew tong, Caldey, or Greke, in what so euer college or place of any of the saide vniuersities the said persons for the tyme beinge, shall rede the saide comon or publique lectures: For yet to any person or persons, which after or about the age of .xl. yerres, which shall resorte to any of the said vniuersities to procede doctours in diuynitie, lawe ciuile, or physike, for the tyme of their saide procedinges, and executynge of suche sermons dispucions or lectures, which they be bound by the statutes of the vniuersities there to do for the sayde degrees so obteyned.

¶ An acte lymyttinge the pices of wyne. Cap. xliii.

Price of wyne.



¶ And it enacted by auctozittie of this present parliament, that no person or persons shall sell any Gascoyne Cupon or fethche wyne aboue. viii. s. the galon, that is to saye, a pynne the pynte. ii. s. the quarte. iiii. pence the potel, and. viii. pence the galon, vpon payne of forfaiture for euery pinte to be sold aboue the said pice. iiii. s. and for euery quarte sold aboue the sayd pice. viii. s. and for euery pottel so solde aboue the said pice. xii. s.

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And for every galon so solde aboue the saide price afore limited. ii. s. that no Malmeleys, romneys, sackes, nor other swete wyne, shall be sold by retayle aboue. xii. d. the galon. vi. d. the potell. iii. d. the quarte, and. i. s. the pynthe, vppon payne to lose and forfayte. iii. s. iii. d. for euery galon. d. for euery potell. xii. d. for euery quarte, and. vi. d. for euery pynthe that shall be solde contrary to this acte.

Wherby alwaye, that the lord Chancellor, lord Tresourer, lord President of the kynges most honourable counsaile, lord Priuie seale, and the chiefe Justices of cyther benche, or. v. iiii. or. iii. of them, shall haue power and auctoritie by theyr discretions, to sette the prices of all kinde of wyne, that is to saye, of the prices of the butte, tonne, pype, hogges head, pyncheon, teers, barrell, or rundelet, when it shall be solde in grosse, so that they or any of them cause the prices by them set to be written, and open proclamation therof to be made in the kynges courte of Chancery openly in the next tyme, or elles, in the cytie borough or towne, where any such wyne shall be solde in grosse: any thynge conteyned in this acte to the contrary hereof not withstandinge.

And it is further enacted, that if any person or persons, after such prices be set and put in writtinge by the said lord Chancellor, lord Tresourer, lord President of the kynges most honorable counsaile, lord Priuie seale, and the chiefe Justices, or by. v. iiii. or. iii. of them, and proclamation therof made (as is afore saide) do sell any wyne in grosse by any fraude or contrary to the said prices so sette and proclaimed: that thenne euery person so offending in that behalfe shall lose and forfayte for euery bestelle by them sold in grosse contrary to the said prices. xl. s. the one halfe of al which forfayte shall be to the kinge our soueraigne lord, and the other halfe therof, to be within any cytie borough or towne corporate, to be to the mayres, shayres, bailiues, or other head rulers of such cities boroughes or townes corporate. And if it be without citte, borough, or towne corporate, then to two such of the kynges subiectes as will sewe for the same. And that euery such forfayture shall be recovered by originall writte of det. byll, plaint, or information, In whiche suite no wager of lawe shall be admitted, nor any protection or essoyne allowed.

wines solde
in grosse,

And it is also enacted, that the Justices of peace in euery shyre of this present realme, and all mayres shayres bailiues and other head officers in cities boroughes and townes corporate, that is to saye, euery of them within the limittes of theyr commissions and auctorities, as well within fraunchises as without, shall haue power and auctoritie to examine here inquire and determine the defaultes of such as shall attempte to sell any wines in grosse by retayle contrary to this act, and to punish the offendours by imprisonment or other wyse by theyr discretions.

Justices of
peace.
head officers,

And where as in the parlyament holden at wellmynster in the fyrst yere of the reigne of kinge Rycharde the thyrde, amonge other thinges it was established, ordeyned, and enacted, that euery tonne of wine shuld containe

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wyne,

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CClii,

Cclii. galons, euery butte of Malmesey shoulde conteyne. Cxxvi. galons, euery pype. Cxxvi. galons, euery tercyan or poncheon. lxxxiij. galons, euery hogges head. lxiij. galons, euery teerce. xli. galons, and euery barrel. xxi. galons, and di. & euery rondelette. xliiij. galons, and di. And that no bevell shulde be putte to sale, till it were gauged, vppon payne of forfayture, as by the same statute it doth appere moze at large. Neuer the lesse great dyscepte is dayely bled in sellinge of wines and oyles in caskes and bevelles, not bearinge the contentes aboue limited, to the great losse of the kinges poore subiectes. For remedye wherof, it is enacted by the auctoritie of this present parliament, that the saide estatute made in the fyfthe yere of kynge Rycharde the third, and al other estatutes heretofore made for trewe gauginge and mesuringe of wines, oyles, hony, or any other lycours, whiche estatutes afoze this tyme be not repelled nor expyed, shall stande in theyr strength and vertue, and be put in due execution, according to theyr tenors and effectes in euery behalfe.

Gaugynge of
wynes and
other lycours.

AND ouer that be it enacted by auctoritie of this present parliament, that euery gauger within this realme shall trewely and effectually within the limittes of his offyce, gauge all the saide tonnes, buttes, pipes, terces, poncheons, tercyans, barrells, hogges head, and rundlettes, and shall playnely and trewly make vppon the head of euery suche bevell the content of the same, vppon payne to forsaite to the partie, to whose vse the wine oyle or other thyng therin beinge shall be sold, foure tymes the value of that that y bevell so marked shall lacke of his lawfull contente aboue wyrtten: the same forfayture to be recouered ouer and besydes the costes of the sute, by the kinges originall wyrtte, or by byll in any of the kinges countres of his common lawes, or in any competente court, hauynge iurisdiction in the place, where that offence shal be committed, by action or bill of debt, in which action or suite, none essoyne, protection, nor wager of lawe shalbe accepted admitted or allowed to the defendand or defendantes. And that euery marchaunte or other personne, sellinge the saide wine, oyle, or other thyng conteyned in the said bevell marked, shall allowe of the price thereof to the byer of the same, for euery quantitie of wine, oyle, or other thyng conteyned in the saide marked bevell, the ful valewe of the lacke thereof, beyng by reason of defeaute of full gauge of the bevelle, marked, or of defeaute of fyllynge of the same bevell, or by reason of defeaute of any of them, after the rate of the hole price of the wine, oyle, or other thinge, so beyng solde by that bevell marked: and that vpon payne of forfayture to the same byer the double value of the same bevell and wine, oyle, or other thyng therin beyng so solde: the same forfayture to be recouered to gether with the costes of the sute, in maner and fourme as the forfayture laste befoze wyrtten is lymytted to be recouered.

Gaugeour.

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An acte for punyshement of pyrates and robbers
on the sea. Capit. xv



Here traytours, pirates, theues, robbers, murtherers, and confederatours vpon the sea, many tymes escape vnpunished, bicause the triall of their offences hath heretofore ben ordered, iudged, and determined befoze the Admirall, or his lieutenant or commissarie, after the course of the ciuile lawes, the nature wherof is, that befoze any iugement of death canne be geuen agaynst the offendours, eyther they must playnely confesse their offences (which they will neuer do, without torture or paynes) or elles their offences be so playnely and directly proued by witnesse indifferente, such as sawe their offences committed, whiche canne not be gotten, but by chaunce at fewe times, bycause such offendours commytte their offences vpon the sea, and at many times murdye and kille such personnes, beyng in the shippe or bote, where they committe their offences, whiche shoulde be commonye martyners and shipemen, whiche bycause of their often bynges and passages in the seas, depart without longe tarienge and protraction of time, to the great costes and charges, as well of the kinges highnes as suche as wolde pursue such offendours. For reformation wherof, be it enacted by the auctoritie of this present parliament, that all treasons, felonies, robberies, murders, and confederacies hereafter to be committed in or vpon the sea, or in any other haven, riuer, creeke, or place, where the admirall or admiralles haue or pretend to haue power auctoritie or iurisdiction, shal be inquired, tried, harde determined and iudged in such shippes & places in the realme, as shal be limited by the kinges commission or commissions to be directed for the same, in like fourme and condition, as if any such offence or offences had ben committed or done in or vpon the lande, and such commissions shal be had vnder the kinges great seale, directed to the Admirall or admiralles, or to his or to their lieutenant deputie & deputies, and to such other substantiall persones, as shal be named or appoynted by the lord Chauncellour of Englande, for the time beyng, from tyme to tyme, and as ofte as nede shal require, to here and determine suche offences, after the common course of the lawes of this lande, vsed for treasons, felonies, robberies, murders, and confederacies of the same done and committed vpon the lande within this realme.

And be it enacted by the auctoritie afoze saide, that suche personnes, to whom suche commission or commissions shal be directed, or.iiii. of theym at the least, shal haue full power and auctoritie to enquire of such offences and of euery of them, by the othes of twelue good and laful inhabitantes in the shire, limited in their commission: in suche like maner and fourme, as if suche offences hadde benne committed vpon the lande within the same shyre. And that euery inditement founde and presented befoze such

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Admirall

Robbers on the sea

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commissioners of any treasons, felonies, robberies, murders manslaughter, or such other offences, committed or done, in or upon the seas, or in or upon any other haven river or creek, shall be good and effectual in the law. And if any person or persons happen to be indicted for any such offence done or hereafter to be done upon the seas, or in any other places above limited, that then such orders process judgement & execution shall be used had done and made to and against every such person and persons, so being indicted, as against traitors, felons, and murderers, for treason, felony, robbery, murder, or other such offences done upon the land, as by the laws of the realm is accustomed. And that the trial of such offence or offences, if it be denied by the offender or offenders, shall be had by twelve lawful men, inhabited in the shire limited within such commission, which shall be directed as is aforesaid, and no challenge or challenges to be had for the hundred. And such as shall be convicted of any such offence or offences, by verdict confession or process, by authority of any such commission, shall have and suffer such penalties of death, losses of lands goods & chattels, as if they had been attainted and convicted of any treasons, felonies, robberies, or other the said offences, done upon the land.

Challenge.

Clergy.
Sanctuary.

And be it enacted by authority aforesaid, that for treasons robberies felonies murders & confederacies, done upon the sea or seas, or in any place above rehearsed, the offenders shall not be admitted to have the benefit of his or their clergy, but be utterly excluded thereof and from the same, and also of the privilege of any sanctuary.

Straights of
Harroke.

Provided always, that this act extend not to be prejudicial or hurtful to any person or persons for taking any vittail, gables, ropes, anchors, or sayles, which any such person or persons (compelled by necessity) taketh of or in any shippe, which may conveniently spare the same, so the same person or persons pay out of hand for the same vittail, gables, ropes, anchors, or sayles money or money worth, to the value of the thing so taken, or to deliver for the same a sufficient bill obligatory to be payed in forme following, That is to say: if the taking of the same things be on this side the straits of Harroke, then to be payed within .iiii. monethes. And if it be beyond the said straits of Harroke, then to be payed within .xii. monethes next ensuing the making of such bills. And that the makers of such bills well and truly paye the same dette at the daye to be limited within the said bills.

True portes.

Provided always, that whanne so ever any such commission for the punishment of the offences aforesaid, or of any of them, shall be directed or sent to any place within the jurisdiction of the true portes, that then every such commission shall be directed unto the lord wardayne of the said portes for the time being, or to his deputie, and unto thre or foure such other person or persons, as the lord chauncellour for the time being shall name and appoint: Any thinge in this present act to the contrary notwithstanding.

Provided

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provided alway, that whan so ever any commission shal be directed vnto the fine portes, for the inquisition and trialles of any the offences expresse in this acte, that euery such inquisition and triall to be hadde by vertue of such commission shalbe made and had by the inhabitantes in the saide portes: or the membez of the same: any thing in this act to the contrary thereof not withstandinge.

An acte for the release of such as haue obteyned pretended lycences and dispensations from the see of Rome. Capit. xvi.

Where the bisschoppe of Rome and his predecessours, of his and they; couetous and ambitious myndes, to thentent to aduance and entriche them selves and the see of Rome, to the greate empouerishynge of this realme of Englande, and other the kynges domynions, contrary to goddes lawes, the lawes and statutes of this realme, and in derogation of the imperiall crowne of this sayde realme, haue heretofore wrongefully pretended, extorted, vsed, and exercised within the same diuers and many vsurped powers, iurisdictions, and auctorities; whynge and by the which tyme the sayd byschoppe and his predecessours, arrogantly and iniustly haue taken vpon them for great summes of money and other profittes to them giuen, to graūt vnto the kynges subiectes, and other inhabitauntes within this realme, and other the kynges domynions, many diuers & sundry auctorities immunities faculties priuileges lycences indulgences and preeminences, of diuers kindes natures and qualities: which all thoughe they proceeded by an iniuste and vsurped auctorite, haue bene vnto now of late by the subiectes of this realme temerously and ignozantly accepted receyued vsed & erroniously put in execution: the which vsurped auctoritie iurisdiction and power is nowe iustly trulye and ought to be clerely and absolutely extynguyshed extirped and abolyshed within this realme and other the kynges domynions. And for as much as all and euery such person and persons bodies polypke and corporate, which vnlawefully and without any maner of auctoritie or iuste grounde, heretofore haue temerously and ignozantly accepted receyued vsed & erroniously put in execution and exercise the said faculties immunities auctorities priuileges lycences indulgences and preeminences, haue nowe sincere pure and perfite intelligence and knowlege of the said vsurped auctoritie iurisdiction and power. And that the said faculties, auctorities, priuileges, lycences, and indulgences, so as is aforesaide accepted receyued vsed and erroniously exercised, were & ben to all intentes and purposes clerely voyde frustrate and of none effecte. All be it if they shulde be impeached or interrupted of such priuileges liberties preeminences auctorities iurisdictions profittes and other commodities, which they now haue vse and exercise by colour of such wayne and voyde lycences dispensations and faculties

Byschoppe of Rome.

Bulles.
Breues.
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Marriages.

Archbishoppes,
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ties, it shulde be to their intollerable inquietations and vtter vndoyng. Wherfoze be it enacted by auctoritie of this present parliament, that al bulles bycues faculties and dispensations, of what names natures or qualities so euer they be of, heretofore had or opteyned of the bishoppe of Rome, or of any his predeceffours, or by the auctoritie of the see of Rome, by or to any subiectes resiantes or bodies politike or corporate of or in this realme, or of or in any other the kinges dominions, shall from henceforth be clerely voyde and of no value force strength nor vertue, and shall neuer here after be vsed admitted allowed pleaded or alleged in any places or courtes of this realme, or of any other the kinges dominions, vpon the paynes conteyned in the statute of prouision and premunice, made in the .xvi. yere of the reigne of king Richard the seconde. Yet not withstandinge at the moother humble petition and intercession of the lordes spirituall and tempozal, and the commons in this present parliament assembled, it maye please the kinges maiestie, of his moste gracious benignitie goodnes and blessed disposition, that it maye be enacted by auctoritie of this parliament, that al mariages had and solemnysed within this realme, or in any other the kinges dominions, befoze the thirde day of Nouember, in the .xxvi. yere of the kinges moste gracious reigne, wherof there is no deuoyce or separation had by the ecclesiasticall lawes of this realme, & which mariages be not prohibited by goddes lawes, limited and declared in the act made in this present parliament for the establisshement of the kinges succession, or otherwyle by holy scripture, shall be by auctoritie of this present parliament good lafull and effectual, and shalbe from the beginning of such mariages reputed esteemed taken adiudged receyued approued & allowed by the auctoritie of this present parliament, to al and singular purposes effectes and ententes, as good as sufficient and as bayleable, as though no impediment of matrimony had euer ben betwene them that haue contracted and solemnysed such mariages: And that all children procreated and to be procreated in and vnder such mariages, shall be lafull to all intentes and purposes.

And that it may be also enacted by the auctoritie of this present parliament, that all archebishoppes and bishoppes of this realme, or of any the kinges dominions consecrated, and at this present time taken and reputed for archebishops and bishops, may by auctoritie of this present parliament, and not by vertue of any prouisiō or other fozeayne auctoritie licence facultie or dispensation, kepe, entoy, and reteyn their archebishoppes & bishoppes, in as large & ample maner, as if they had ben promoted elected confirmed & consecrated, according to the due course of the lawes of this realme. And that euery archebishoppe and bishoppe of this realme, and of other the kinges dominions, may minister vse and exercise all and euery thyng and thinges, perteyning to thoffice or ordye of an archebishop & bishop, with al tokens insignes and ceremonies therunto lafully belonging. And that al ecclesiasticall persons of the kinges realme & dominions, which at this time be taken had and reputed for abbottes priours, abballes, priors, cell

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rites, and other heades of religion (whiche be not nother shall be excluded from their dignities by the late acte of suppression) and the religious persons lyving vnder their obedience, and all persons now taken and reputed as maysters presidentes prouostes and wardeynes of cathedrall churches and colleges, with the companies and felowshippes of the same, al prebys and clerkes, which haue receyued any of the ecclesiasticall orders, all archdeacons and deanes, and other hauynge offices cures and dignities spiritual. may by auctoritie of this act, and not by the vertue of any forein power or auctoritie, administer vse and exercise all thinges pertaining to their dignities offices or dyes cures religions and felowshippes, and maye lawfully hereafter vse al tokens insignes, and ceremonies, which they haue ben accustomed to vse in times paste (so it be not expressly agaynst the lawes of god and this realme) any thing or thinges conteyned in any act or actes, made sithen the beginnyng of this present parliament to the contrary of any the premises in any wise notwithstanding.

¶ And where diuers and many of the kinges said subiectes haue purchased and obteyned many dispensations bulles bzeues and faculties of the bishoppe of Rome for the tyme beyng, or by auctoritie of the see of Rome, as pluralities, vnyons, trialities, appropriations, commendams, exemptions, and other bulles bzeues and faculties, for diuers causes and matters, other than be afoze expessed, which be of no strength or vertue: it may therfore please the kynges maiestie, that it may be enacted by auctoritie afoze saide, that all and euery his said subiectes duryng the time of one hole yere next after the feast of saincte Michaell the archaungell next comminge, maye enjoy vse and haue by auctoritie of this present acte, and not by the vertue of the said bulles bzeues and faculties, al & euery the effectes conteyned & specified in such bulles bzeues and faculties, in all such cases onely as may be dispensed with by the archebishoppe of Canturbury, by auctoritie of the lawes and statutes of this realme.

¶ And that it maye be further enacted by auctoritie afozesaid, that all and euery the kinges said subiectes, byngyng rendyng and delueryng to such persons of his counsell, or of the maisters of his chancery, as the kinges highnes shall name and appoynt, any bulles bzeues or any other faculties concerninge any the premises: that then if it shall appere to such persons as the kinges highnes shall so name and appoynt to receyue such bulles faculties and bzeues, after due examination therof had, that the effectes conteyned and specified in such bulles faculties and bzeues or any part thereof, maye be lawfully graunted by the saide archebishoppe, of Canturbury, by auctoritie of the lawes and statutes of this realme: that then & in euery such case the kinges saide subiectes, makinge humble suite to haue the effectes conteyned in the said bulles bzeues and faculties to be granted vnto them, shall haue receyue and obteyne of the chauncellour of Englande or keper of the great seale for the time beinge, by sufficient writing in dewe forme to be made, and to be sealed vnder the kinges great seale, all and euery

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uery such effectes conteyned and specified in such bulles bzeues and faculties, as may be laulfully graunted by the sayde archebischoppe of Cantbury, by auctozitie of the lawes and statutes of this realme, paying ouer for the sealinge of euery such wrytinge. xx. s. iiii. d. And ouer that for reasonable costes for peynes of the wrytinge therof. iiii. s. iiii. d. and not aboue, and for the payne taken for dewe examynation of euery suche bulle bzeues and faculties. iiii. s. iiii. d. and not aboue. And that this present acte shalbe sufficient and immediate warrant to the chancellour or keper of the greates seale, for then sealing and deliuerie of such licences faculties dispensations and other wrytinges, which shalbe made graunted and sealed vnder the kinges greates seale by vertue and auctozitie of this acte.

¶ And it is also enacted by auctozitie afoze sayd, that all and euery such lycence dispensation facultie confirmation or other wryting, to be had made or graunted vnder the kinges great scale out of the said court of chauncery by auctozitie of this acte, in fourme as is aboue reherfed, shalbe good and effectuell to the saide parties suing for the same, according to the tenor and effectes therof, and shalbe admitted, accepted, and allowed in all courtes and places of this realme, and in all other the kinges dominions: any usage, prescription, fozeayne lawes, customes, or ordynance to the contrary therof notwithstandinge.

¶ An acte giuinge auctozitie to suche as shal succede to the crowne of this realme, whan they come to the age of. xxiij. yeres to make frustrate such actes as shalbe made afoze in their time. Capitulo. xvij.



Or as moche as lawes and statutes may happen hereafter to be made within this realme, at parlyamentes holden at such time as the kinges of the same shal happen to be within age, haupnge small knowledge and experience of their affaires, to the great hynderance and derogation of the imperiall crowne of this realme, and to the vniuersall damage of the common welthe of the subiectes of the same. Be it therfoze enacted by auctozitie of this presente parlyament, that if the imperiall crowne of this realme, after the decess of the kynges mooste royall maiestie (whose lyfe our lord longe preserve) disscende, comme, or remayne, to the heires of oure saide soueraigne lord, or to any persone to be limited by his highnes, as of very right it muste and ought to do, according to the lawes of this realme established for the same, the saide heires or suche persone beinge within the age of. xxiij. yeres, and that then any acte or actes of parlyament shal happen to be made and established in any parlyament, that then shalbe holden, befoze suche heire or heires person or persones then being in possession of the said crowne, shalbe of their full ages of. xxiij. yeres: that then euery such heire or heires of oure

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the soueraigne lord, or such persone so possessed of the crowne, and within the same age of .xxiii. yerres, shall haue full power and authority in all tymes after they shall come to theyr saide full ages of .xxiii. theyr letters patentes, vnder the greatte seale of Englande, to annulle, and repeale all and syngular suche actes, made and established by their royall assentes in any parlyament holden during the time they were within their saide age of .xxiii. yerres, theyr royall assentes to the same, duringe the tyme that they were within the saide age of .xxiii. yerres, or any acte or actes hereafter to be made to the contrary therof standinge.

Letters patentes.

Reuocation of actes.

And be it also enacted by auctoritie aforesaid, that euery such repeale addition and reuocation of any acte or actes, that shalbe made and established in any parlyament, holden befoze the time that such heires or person, possessor of the crowne, shall be of the saide age of .xxiii. yerres, shall be as good and effectual to al intentes and purposes, as though it had ben done by auctoritie of parlyament.

An acte concerning treason in certayne cases. Cap. xlviii.



It enacted by auctoritie of this present parliamēt, that if any man, of what estate, degree, or condition so euer he be, at any time hereafter, take vpon him to espouse, marry, or take to his wyfe any of the kynges childre, being laufully bozne or otherwise, commonly reputed or take for his childzen, or any of the kynges sisters or aunes of the part of hys father, or any the laufull childre of hys kynges bretheren or sisters, or

contract mariage with any of them, without the especiall licence assent consent and agreement first therevnto had and obtained of the kynges highnes in writinge vnder his graces great seale, or defyle or deflour any of the not beinge maried, shall be demed and adiudged a traitour to the king and to his realme. And that euery suche offence here after to be done made or perpetrated, contrary to this acte, shall be adiudged and demed to be highe treason. And that euery man so offendinge, and their abettours, procurers, comforters, counsaylours, and ayders, being laufully conuycte of any suche offence accordinge to the lawes of this realme, shall haue and suffre such and like penes and execution of death, losses of priuileges of sanctuary and forfeitures of landes tenementes and hereditamentes to al intentes and purposes, as in cases of high treason apperteyneth. Sauynge to all and euery person and persons, bodie politike and corporate, their heires and successours, and to the heires and successours of euery of them, other than the lord Thomas Howarde, and his heires, and all other persons, which shall fortune hereafter to be atteinted by auctoritie of this acte, and their heires and euery of them, all suche right, tyele, intereste, possession, leases, annuities, rentes, seruices, reuercions, remainders, offices, fees, commons, conditi-
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ons & other commodities pofites & hereditamentes, in fuch maner fource qualitie & condition, as they oz any of them haue had, fhuld oz mighte haue had, if this acte had neuer ben had noz made: Any thing in this prefent act to the contrary therof notwithstandinge.

¶ Provided alway and be it euacted, that in euery fuche cafe befoze reherfed, the woman after the lafte day of this parlyament fo offendynge beinge within the degrees befoze fpecified, fhall incurre like daunger and penalte as is befoze limited, and fhall fuffre fuche lyke dethe and punyfhement, as is befoze appoynted to the man offendynge in maner and fource exprefsed in this acte.

¶ GOD SAVE THE KYNGE.



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